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ARTILLERY LITERATURE.

John Wiley & Sons have done a service to the Army and to the National Guard Batteries of Artillery by the publication in a neat volume of a "Handbook for Light Artillery," by A. B. Dyer, 1st Lieut., 4th Art., U. S. A. It is based upon Army regulations, official reports, etc., and has followed the lines of similar handbooks in foreign services, much of the matter being copied verbatim from the works consulted. A list of thirty-nine works consulted is given in the preface. Lieut. Dyer devotes three chapters to mountain artillery and fourteen chapters to field artillery, including a chapter on machine guns. The work, which is abundantly illustrated, is a timely and valuable addition to military literature. A companion volume is the "Handbook of Naval Gunnery," by Lieut. Cyrus S. Radford, U. S. M. C., of which a new edition has been published by the D. Van Nostrand Company. It has been revised and enlarged, with the assistance of Lieut. Stokely Morgan, U. S. N. It has been prepared by authority of the Navy Department for the use of the Navy, Marine Corps and the Naval Reserves.

Another valuable work just issued by John Wiley & Sons is "A Text-book of Ordnance and Gunnery," prepared for the use of cadets of the United States Military Academy, by Capt. Lawrence L. Bruff, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., Instructor of Ordnance and Gunnery at the United States Military Academy. Its purpose is to present as clearly as possible the elementary principles of the course of ordnance and gunnery as taught at the Military Academy. Its division into chapters has been determined by convenience of recitations in the section-room, and there are ten chapters in all in 637 pages. The subjects are Gupwder and Interior Ballistics, High Explosives and Smokeless Powders, Guns, Projectiles and Armor, Fuses and Primers, Exterior Ballistics, Artillery Carriages, Theory of Recoil, Pointing, Probability of Fire, Portable Arms, Machine and Rapid-fire Guns. All of the chapters are abundantly illustrated, and a thorough study of the work would give an excellent knowledge of the subjects. We commend it to all students of ordnance and gunnery in or out of the Army.

E. & F. N. Spon, London and New York, publish "The Progress of Artillery—Naval Guns," by James Atkinson Longridge, a gentleman whose name is well known in connection with the study of ordnance construction. In this volume he advocates a revolution in ordnance in the line of a reduction in the length of guns, and a great increase of pressure and muzzle energy. Long guns will bend more or less, because of the weight of the barrel and the unequal strains of long usage, and the length increases the difficulty of forging, turning and boring. They require stronger emplacements and mounting, and are more vulnerable, more expensive, and are in every way awkward to handle and house. Mr. Longridge presents figures to show that the increase in ballistic effect is due chiefly to improvements in powder, and not to increase in the length of guns. The increase in power per pound of powder is 286 per cent.; in muzzle energy, due to the length of the piece only, but 22 per cent., and the increase due to the length of the gun is a steadily decreasing quantity. Mr. Longridge says: "It is, therefore, obvious that guns of extreme length do not give increase of power in anything like the proportion of their length; and, taking into consideration their unhandiness and liability to damage, due to their excessive length, we cannot look to any improvement of ballistic power by still further lengthening the guns. In fact, they are already too long." Mr. Longridge, who is a well-known advocate of wire guns, argues that pressures in such guns can be increased to 30 or 40 tons per square inch, as compared with 17 tons in forged steel guns.

The Kansas City "Times" has some just criticisms on the method of administering the law authorizing appointments to 2d Lieutenants from the ranks of the Army. The "Times" says: "In the earlier years after the passage of the act of 1878 but few were selected. Now the boys are going into the service by droves, having no other purpose in view than that of being made a Lieutenant in the Army. The question of becoming a real soldier first and wait their chance afterward is of secondary consideration. All that is wanted is to get into an organization where the Captain would assign them a room in which to study, letting others do their duty as soldiers, and begin laying the wires for securing splendid recommendations to lay before the examining board, and after the ordeal is safely passed, if no vacancies are in sight, and the chances are slim, they get together their political 'pull' to help them through. These things have been happening right along and is doing the Army a great deal of injury. With the influence these half hundred young men will be able to marshal together, the Department will find great difficulty to bring about a change from present methods for appointment. The law should be so amended as to require a soldier to have served at least five years before he can go before an examining board or the number to be appointed annually to be restricted to about six. It is ridiculous to think that a boy can leave his mother's apron strings, jump into the Army, serve two years and secure a commission over the boys who have got to get down and dig for four years at the Academy and take their chances for prompt assignment."

The "Times" argues that the intent of the law is that only such vacancies as are left at the time of providing for the graduating class of the Military Academy should be filled from the ranks. Those occurring after that date should be held open for the next graduating class. It says: "There were some fourteen enlisted men commissioned 2d Lieutenants during the past seven months and

assigned to vacancies occurring during the present year, thus virtually preventing this year's graduates from securing their places in the Army to which they are entitled. It was never the intention of Congress that the young men required to take a four years' course at West Point before being commissioned should be deprived of their rights by those who entered the ranks long afterward and secure appointment in advance of the graduate."

The death of Gen. Lucius Fairchild, of Wisconsin, recalls the fact that he was one of three men from whom Gen. Grant made his choice for Secretary of War, at the time he was first elected to the Presidency. Gen. Grant had requested Gen. Sherman and Gen. Sheridan to name three general officers of volunteers of high personal character and distinguished record, from whom he could make his choice. The three named were John F. Hartranft, of Pennsylvania; Lucius W. Fairchild, and W. W. Belknap. Gen. Hartranft, who was the first choice, was at that time Governor of Pennsylvania. His appointment involved his resignation as Governor, and the possibility that his party might lose political control of the State. For this reason he was passed over and the choice finally fell upon Belknap, whose unfortunate career involved the administration of President Grant in so much scandal. Previous to appointing Gen. Belknap his reputation as a Collector of Internal Revenue had been inquired into, and the report was that he had a better record on the books of the Treasury Department than any other collector. He was the son of a former officer of the regular Army himself, a volunteer soldier of excellent record, and there was nothing whatever in his career to suggest the result that followed his appointment.

Capt. F. Heath, commanding the Sandy Hook Proving Grounds, was in Washington on Saturday last for the first time in twenty years. He had a long conference with Brig. Gen. Flagler, Chief of Ordnance, in regard to the business in hand at the proving grounds, as well as to the ordnance work in connection with fortifications, which is now in progress. Considerable experimental work is being done with a view to securing satisfactory primers for the explosion of charged shell. The authorities are very well satisfied with both emmentite and gun cotton as high explosives, but a considerable quantity of fulminate of mercury has to be used in order to secure the required explosion. Capt. Heath states that the experiments made are proceeding satisfactorily, and he hopes to obtain a primer which will give satisfactory results. A test of field gun mechanisms will shortly commence at the proving grounds in connection with a trial of smokeless powder weapons of this caliber, which has been referred to in the "Journal." Experiments are also being made with shrapnel for the 5 and 7-inch guns.

A competitive trial of bicycles has been inaugurated by the Signal Corps of the Army. All of the cycles bought some days ago, with the exception of one, which is on exhibition at the Department, have been sent, some to the Department of Texas, some to the Department of Colorado, and the remainder to the Department of the Dakota for thorough trial and report. The bicycle at the Department is a folding machine, of American invention, and it is being carefully examined by the War Department officials. When the examination is concluded, it is the intention of Gen. Greely, Chief Signal Officer, to ship the machine to 1st Lieut. Samuel Reber, Signal Officer, stationed at San Antonio, Tex., with instructions to thoroughly test the machine. It is, of course, impossible for the Signal Corps to buy bicycles for any but signal men, but Gen. Greely desires all the information possible on the subject, so that when the time comes when a regiment of cyclists will be formed, he will be in a position to state which make is best for Army use.

The inspection of colleges having military departments has been practically completed and all the reports, with the exception of six, have been received. These reports are most flattering in character and show the hold which the military feature of the institutions has taken on the youthful minds. Although nearly all the colleges, not having military departments, reported a loss of scholars during the past year, those with Army officers attached to their staff have uniformly announced that they have not suffered by reason of the hard times, and in many cases have reported an increase in attendance. Insp. Gen. Breckinridge has submitted some of the reports to the Secretary of War and the remainder will be laid before that official upon his return.

It is understood that Lieut. A. P. Niblack, who is with Asst. Secretary McAdoo on board the Dolphin making an inspection of the various Naval Militia organizations of the North Atlantic States, is preparing a set of regulations for arming and equipping the Naval Militia, in accordance with the provision in the last naval appropriation law. Fifty thousand dollars were appropriated for the purchase of arms, accoutrements, signal outfits, boats and their equipments, and the printing of necessary books of instructions. Lieut. Niblack hopes to complete this work within a few months.

Dr. Frank O. Young, president of the Lexington, Ky., Board of Health, and brother of Lieut. Lucien Young, U. S. N., was married June 25, to Miss Effie Hill, daughter of Gen. S. E. Hill.

The assignment of graduates of the Military Academy awaits the return of Secretary Lamont to Washington. A provisional list has been prepared at the Adjutant General's office for submission to him and to Gen. Miles. This assigns two to the Engineers and sixteen to existing vacancies. Ten others go to the cavalry, fifteen to the artillery and the remainder to the infantry. Gen. Craig-hill has made no application for assignments to his corps. Such an application would, no doubt, be granted. Though there are no vacancies for the twenty-four enlisted men who have been recommended for promotion, the Secretary will issue an order in July for their final examination in September. The passage of the bill for the reorganization of the Army, now on the files of Congress, will make vacancies for them. The medical recommendations for retirement will be acted upon when the Secretary returns. Several of them have been disapproved. The college details will also be decided upon, and the selection of officers for the light batteries and the Fort Monroe School. The detail of Engineer officers suggested by Gen. Craig-hill awaits the Secretary's approval. The issue of advertisements for gun forgings, the modification of the civil service order and other important matters await the Secretary's return.

Gen. Craig-hill, Chief of Engrs., has recommended to Secretary Lamont the several points where the money appropriated by the fortifications law should be expended. The Secretary now has the recommendations on his desk, and will give them immediate consideration. He will also settle upon the points where the work in connection with the improvements of rivers and harbors is to commence. The matter is of importance to engineer officers, as there promises to be considerable shifting around of the officers of this corps when the Secretary's decision is made. It is understood that Gen. Craig-hill has prepared a slate for the stations of officers under him when the new work is entered upon, but it will not be made public until it has been passed upon by the Secretary.

The Justin projectile was announced for trial at Oneida Lake, June 5, but after the first projectile fired exploded in midair, the other nine tests were omitted. Subsequently, at 12.05, a nine-inch shell, containing thirty-four pounds of the explosive was fired from the Blakely gun at an armored canal boat one fourth of a mile distant. The shell was designed to explode after complete perforation. The gun was not sufficiently elevated and the shell fell short of the boat, exploding as it struck the water. Included among the distinguished visitors were the Hon. H. Outhwaite, Col. Royal T. Frank and Maj. Frank H. Phipps, members of the Board of Ordnance; and Capt. J. C. Ayres, Recorder of the board; Lieut. A. W. Brewster, of the 9th Inf.

Commo. George F. Dewey may command the Pacific station. The tour of duty of Rear Adml. Beardslee, commanding that station, expires in August and it is expected that the orders detaching him from this billet will be issued about Sept. 1. The application of Commo. John A. Howell, for the Pacific station, is still on file at the Department, but this officer stands no chance of it being granted, on account of the fact that he was only a few months ago given a desirable command as commandant of the League Island Navy Yard. Commo. Dewey is the only officer of flag rank now available for sea service, and the probabilities are strong that his application will be granted.

Inventor D'Humy has submitted another of his queer plates to the Navy Department for trial. The plate has been shipped to the proving grounds, where it will be set up and will be fired at next week with a 6-inch gun. The plate, as is known, consists of a large number of thin plates set in boxes, with their edges presented as a target for the projectile. The plate submitted some time ago was badly used up by the impact of a projectile. Ordnance experts doubt if any better results will be secured from the coming trial. It is understood that Mr. D'Humy has interested a large number of Chicago capitalists in his invention, who have organized a company and are pushing the invention.

We are shocked to learn that the council of the Officers' Club at Fort Leavenworth have issued an order which excludes women from their club. Have they no mothers or sisters, sweethearts or wives? This action, it appears, is due to the fact that during the warm evenings many ladies have been entertained on the veranda of the club building by young officers, against the objection of other members. The result was an order limiting the privilege of a public promenade on the veranda to members of the club. This has been resented by those who favor the visits of the ladies and a meeting has been called to consider the matter.

A short time ago a book was published which attempted to prove that Marshal Ney was not shot in 1815, but escaped to America and became a schoolmaster in North Carolina, where, as alleged, he lately died. To set at rest all doubts in this matter, a cousin of Mme. Ney, who is now living in America, contributes to the July "Century" a family record of Ney's execution, written by Mme. Campan, who was the aunt of Mme. Ney, and the author of the "Memoirs of Marie Antoinette."

When Fort Omaha is abandoned there is every reason to believe the War Department will order a sale made of the property, says a Washington telegram to the Omaha "Bee."

It is understood that Capt. C. H. Ingalls, Q. M. Dept., has been recommended for examination by a retiring board.

A certificate of merit has been awarded to Pvt. George Mitchell, Co. A, 3d Cav., for bravery displayed at the fire at Jefferson Barracks in April last.

Naval Constr. D. W. Taylor made a flying trip to Newport News on Wednesday last. Mrs. Taylor, with her son, is enjoying an outing at her Virginia home.

Naval Constr. Richmond P. Hobson is temporarily on duty in the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Navy Department, preparing regulations for the examination of applicants for appointment as draftsmen under the President's recent civil service order.

The Fort Myer Polo Club will play the Philadelphia Polo Club on the grounds at Fort Myer on Saturday afternoon. The Philadelphia Club will also play the Chevy Chase Club, of Chevy Chase, near Washington, on Monday.

Squadron A, of New York, Maj. Roe, will not march to camp, as was at first directed. Later instructions ordered the squadron to embark on a train at West Sixty-sixth street on the morning of June 27. The squadron will also return by train on July 4.

All of the enlisted men who recently passed examinations for appointment as acting hospital stewards have been assigned. It is not expected that another examination of men for appointment to these offices will take place for some months.

No officer of the Army appears to be desirous of securing the detail to London as Military Attaché to the United States Embassy there. No application has yet been received for the billet, notwithstanding that it has been vacant for some time. The probabilities are against its being filled by Secretary Lamont.

The Ordnance Department has been informed by Maj. I. Arnold, Jr., that the village of West Troy will, on Aug. 1, be incorporated as a city under the name of Watervliet, in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of New York. The growth of West Troy or Watervliet, as it is called, is, of course, due to the presence of the Arsenal at that point.

Naval officers registered at the Navy Department during the week as follows: Lieut. H. C. Poundstone, Naval Cadets Arthur Crenshaw, J. V. Gillis and W. T. Chiverius, Jr., Lieut. John B. Bernadon, P. A. Surg. R. G. Denig, Lieut. K. Niles, Lieut. Comdr. W. W. Gillpatrick, Ensign E. W. Eberle, Lieut. Comdr. F. I. Naile, Lieut. A. Ackerman, Lieut. Karl Rohrer, Ensign J. C. M. McCormick.

The Holt will case, which has been on trial in Washington, D. C., for several weeks past, was brought to a conclusion June 25. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the caveators, the effect of which is to set the alleged will aside, or, in the words of the decision of the jury, is substantially a declaration that the paper presented for probate is not a true statement. The heirs, who have had a desperate legal fight on their hands, have received many congratulations.

Q. M. Gen. Batchelder, who will be transferred to the retired list next month, will remain on duty at the War Department until the date of his retirement. It is probable that Col. C. G. Sawtelle, Chief Q. M. of the Dept. of the East, will succeed Gen. Batchelder. His friends have already inaugurated an earnest fight in his behalf, and they have high hopes of success crowning their efforts. There could be no better choice.

The Treasury officials have made an interpretation of the joint resolution recently enacted by Congress extending the benefits of honorable discharge to all enlisted persons in the Navy. Pay Insp. George A. Lyon, of the New York, has been informed by the Department that he will be justified in paying Albert Brown, steward to the Commander-in-Chief, and H. R. Brayton, yeoman, the three months' pay upon re-enlistment after an honorable discharge.

Capt. Thos. P. Leathers, who died recently in St. Louis, was a well-known Mississippi River steamboat man and built many famous steamboats. The deceased was considered an authority on all river matters and his counsel was frequently sought by prominent men in the country. In 1874, he appeared before the Committee on Waterways, in Washington, D. C.; in 1875 before the Senate Committee; in 1882 before the Commerce Committee, on which occasion his views on river improvement were asked and given.

The movement of troops ordered by the War Department last week is now on. Companies E and G, of the 11th Infantry, which were designated by Brig. Gen. Wheaton, commanding the Department of Colorado, packed up immediately upon the receipt of their orders and started for their new station near Little Rock, Ark., where they arrived safely. The 2d Infantry will not start north until the 20th inst., its presence being desired at the opening of the Omaha Exposition. The 22d will wait until its arrival and will then return in the cars, which will transport the 2d to its new station. The Department has not yet officially named the post at Little Rock, but it is expected that Secretary Lamont will settle the matter immediately upon his return to Washington.

LEE AND McCLELLAN.

To the Editor of the "Army and Navy Journal."

I have read the article on Lee and McClellan, on page 750 of your number for June 13, 1896. Capt. R. E. Lee and Lieuts McClellan and Foster were the Engineer officers on Gen. Scott's staff at the siege of Vera Cruz, six months before the City of Mexico was reached. By referring to Cullum's Register, you will see that the three officers are credited as serving at the siege on the same date. It hardly seems credible that Lieut. McClellan, one of Capt. Lee's subordinates at the siege, and, as a matter of course, in daily intercourse with him, both officially and socially, should need the introduction spoken of in the article referred to. There are a number of officers now in service who must well recollect meeting these officers during the siege. Gens. Van Vliet and A. B. Howe can easily be asked what they think of the story. History should be kept sacred. L. P. W.

RECENT DEATHS.

P. A. Engr. George D. Strickland, who died in Philadelphia, June 17, entered the Navy in 1876, as Assistant Engineer and was retired Feb. 13, 1895, for disability incurred in the line of duty.

Gen. Benjamin H. Bristow, who died in New York, June 22, served with distinction during the war in Kentucky infantry regiments and as Colonel of the 8th Kentucky Cavalry, was Solicitor General of the U. S. in 1870, and Secretary of the Treasury during a portion of Gen. Grant's administration.

Achilles Bowen, who died June 6, at Columbia, Tenn., was graduated from West Point in 1850, promoted Brevet 2d Lieutenant of Artillery and resigned in December of the same year. During the War of the Rebellion he served as Major of Engineers in the Confederate Army.

We learn of the death of Col. A. G. Brackett, U. S. N., retired, in Washington, D. C., Thursday, June 25. We reserve a fuller notice for another week.

Mr. Lorillard Kip, who died in New York June 24, was a son of Maj. Lawrence Kip, a gallant soldier of the War, formerly Captain, 3d U. S. Artillery, who resigned in 1867.

The body of the late Gen. W. H. Dimond, of California, who died in New York, June 18, has been taken to San Francisco for burial. The funeral will be under the auspices of the National Guard, and Gen. Dimond will be buried with the honors due to his rank as Major General. As he was a Grand Army man that organization will also participate.

PERSONALS.

Lieut. P. G. Lowe, 4th Inf., on leave, is at Marathon, Texas.

Maj. E. A. Garlington, Insp. Gen., has gone on leave to South Carolina. Mrs. Garlington accompanied him.

The engagement is announced of Miss Carolyn Marrow, of Washington, to Lieut. John L. Chamberlain, U. S. A.

Chief Engr. H. W. Fitch, with his family, will leave New York City in a few days for Auburn, N. Y., where he will spend the summer.

Lieut. Giles A. Harber, U. S. N., and wife, Charles E. P. Lyon, London, England, are at the Goldsborough Mansion, Tenleytown road, for the summer.

Lieut. John Baxter, Jr., 9th U. S. Inf., on leave at Glenwood, N. J., for some time past, was expected to rejoin his regiment at Sacketts Harbor this week.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Frank H. Whitman, graduate of U. S. M. A., 1896, and Miss Florence Orr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Orr, of Orr's Mills, N. Y.

Lieut. H. H. Benham, 2d Inf., has been appointed Adjutant of the regiment in succession to Lieut. W. M. Wright, and Lieut. J. A. Penn has succeeded Lieut. Benham as Regimental Quartermaster.

Brig. Gen. A. W. Greely, Chief Signal Officer, was somewhat indisposed during the week. He has entirely recovered and is able to attend to his duties at the War Department.

The services of Geo. W. Melville, Engineer-in-Chief of the Navy, in connection with his distinguished achievements in the science of mechanical engineering, were recognized some days ago by the Stevens Institute of Technology, which conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Engineering.

Army officers registered at the War Department during the week as follows: 2d Lieuts. (unassigned) R. E. Callan, E. L. King, William A. Burnside, H. E. Kennington and G. S. Patterson, Capt. Frank Heath, 2d Lieut. H. M. Reeves, 3d Inf.; 1st Lieut. C. A. Flagler, E. C.; Maj. W. H. Bixby, E. C.; 2d Lieut. H. O. Willard, unassigned, and Maj. James Lawson, retired.

The following were the Army and Navy arrivals at the Ebbitt House, Washington, D. C., for the week ending June 24: Comdr. Saml. W. Very, U. S. N.; Asst. Naval Constr. Richmond Pearson Hobson, U. S. N.; Capt. Frank Heath, U. S. A.; Naval Cadet E. P. Jessop, U. S. N.; Naval Cadet Arthur Crenshaw, U. S. N.; Lieut. Comdr. W. W. Gilpatrick, U. S. N.; Ensign E. W. Eberle.

Passed Asst. Engr. Robert S. Griffin has been assigned to duty in charge of the work performed by Chief Engr. James Perry before the latter's detachment and orders to the Monterey. In addition P. A. Engr. Griffin has charge of his old desk. Notwithstanding the double duty which he is performing, he is keeping all matters up to date and is receiving warm praise for his efforts from Engineer-in-Chief Melville.

Among the men selected to carry on the scientific investigation of the fur-seal herds on the Pribyloff and other Alaskan islands, for which \$5,000 was provided by a joint resolution of Congress, is Lieut. Jefferson P. Moser, commanding the U. S. Fish Commission steamer Albatross. Lieut. Moser, who will command the steamer conveying the party, has for many years been in charge of hydrographic surveys, and will bring to bear the results of valuable experience.

Mr. Chester Bailey Fernald, son of Naval Constr. Fernald, U. S. N., and Miss Josephine Harker were married June 12, in Berkeley, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Fernald left immediately after the ceremony on a wedding tour and will return to Berkeley, where they will be at home the third and fourth Tuesdays in July to their friends. Mr. Fernald is well known in literary circles, and has achieved considerable reputation as a result of his penwork. The couple have been the recipients of warm congratulations from their many friends both in the West and East.

A meeting of the Military Order of Foreign Wars, New York Commandery, was held in New York City Wednesday last. Honorary Companionship in the order was conferred upon Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Ruger, U. S. A., Commanding the Department of the East, and among those admitted to hereditary companionship are: George J. Gould, John B. Holland, Charles L. Larkin, M. D., and Edwin Gould, of New York; and James T. Sands, of St. Louis. The following will be admitted by the National Commandery as charter members to organize Commanderies in their respective States: Col. A. S. Hubbard, Gen. W. H. Dimond, E. R. Dimond, F. B. Washington, Hon. Robert Y. Hayne, William Alvord, and Prof. Edward S. Holden, LL. D., and others, of California; W. O. H. Shepard, Ensign John Rufus Edie, U. S. N., Lieut. Comdr. James Russell Selfridge, U. S. N., Lieut. James H. Bull, U. S. N., Lieut. Augustus C. Almy, U. S. N., Van Wyck S. Bull, John Gardner Quimby, Gould Hoyt Bull, James Hunter Bull, of Florida; Maj. Gen. Albion P. Howe, Maj. Gen. Z. P. Tower, Rodney Macdonough, William Lithgow Willey, John M. Cowper Edwards, Edward H. Eldridge, and others, of Massachusetts.

Lieut. A. H. Martin, 1st U. S. Inf., is visiting at Milfordtown, Pa.

Gen. L. P. Graham, U. S. A., is spending the summer at Warm Springs, Va.

Capt. P. M. Boehm, U. S. A., recently in the West, is now at 201 Greene avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Capt. G. E. Bushnell, Asst. Surg. U. S. A., on a few weeks' leave from Fort Hamilton, N. Y., is spending it in Portland, Me.

Col. H. Clay Wood, U. S. A., and Mrs. Wood, are spending a portion of the summer at Haddon Hall, Atlantic City, N. J.

Capt. W. A. Mann, 17th Inf., on leave from Columbus Bks. for the summer, is at present quartered at 70 Madison avenue, Toronto, Canada.

Capt. John Pitcher, 1st U. S. Cav., on leave and now on his wedding tour, has for address care Army and Navy Club, Washington, D. C.

Lieut. Robert Edward Lee Spence, 16th U. S. Inf., will be married June 30, at Camilla, Ga., to Miss Bruce Underwood, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. John Levi Underwood.

The general court martial in session for some time past at Vancouver Barracks for the trial of Capt. M. F. Jamar, 14th Inf., has concluded its labors and handed in its proceedings.

Miss L. Elliot, daughter of Col. George H. Elliot, U. S. A., and Mrs. Elliot, was married June 24, at high noon, at St. Matthew's Church, Washington, D. C., to Mr. Fielding Lewis.

Capt. T. F. Kane, U. S. N., who was last week placed on the retired list because of physical incapacity for sea service, is residing on Everett street, and will, it is understood, make Newport his home.

Philip D. Roddey, a Brigadier General in the Confederate Army during the war, was pronounced a bankrupt this week by the Bankruptcy Division of the High Court of Justice, London, England, where he has resided for the past twenty-six years.

The fact that it was possible to find material in a single regiment of volunteers for two Presidents of the United States, one Chief Justice, and a foreign minister, minister, shows the quality of the men who volunteered for service during our Civil War.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of the Middle Georgia Mil. and Agr. College, Milledgeville, it was decided to present a sword, suitably inscribed, to Lieut. A. B. Scott, 13th Inf., Military Instructor, as a token of appreciation of his services to the college.

The Hon. John Starin gave the usual annual excursion to the G. A. R. veterans in New York and vicinity on June 26. Those on the headquarters boat paid their respects to Maj. Gen. Ruger at Governors Island and a salute was fired in honor of the party from Governors Island.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred, June 24, by Harvard University, upon Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., and of Doctor of Divinity upon Chaplain Wesley O. Holway, U. S. N.

The usual crowding of officers' quarters exists again this summer, says a Madison Barracks correspondent. Five single officers are jammed into one house, formerly occupied by one family. Young officers booked for the 9th Inf. should not be married. Wait until we go West again. There will be more ground space available.

The Commander of the National Association of Naval Veterans, whose headquarters is at No. 227 Division avenue, Brooklyn, has issued an order providing for the eleventh annual convention, to be held in New York City, July 4. Considerable significance is attached by the old men-of-war-men to this convention, which will be the first unattached appearance in convention, so to speak, of the sailors of the Union Navy.

The Vancouver "Independent," June 18, says: "Russell Montgomery, of Portland, Oregon, a son of J. B. Montgomery, who was appointed a cadet at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, has been missing from that institution for more than a month. Considerable alarm has been occasioned over his disappearance, the last seen of him at Annapolis being on May 4. It is supposed that, failing in final examination, he has shipped on some vessel out of Baltimore."

Army officers lately registering in New York City are Lieut. N. Bronson, Holland House; Capt. W. Crozier, Lieut. J. W. Hinkley, Jr., Lieut. C. McK. Saltzman, Lieut. W. H. Paine, Lieut. G. T. Patterson, Lieut. G. H. Shelton, Murray Hill; Q. M. Gen. R. N. Batchelder, Fifth Avenue; Col. Chambers McKibbin, Park Avenue; Lieut. J. A. Dapray, Sturtevant House; Lieut. F. J. Kernan, Lieut. A. C. Ducat, Maj. I. Arnold, Grand Hotel; Maj. J. B. Burbank, Everett House; Lieut. F. R. Shunk, Hotel Imperial; Maj. A. B. Taylor, The Buckingham.

The Board of Trustees of Gordon Institute, Barnesville, Ga., being made aware that the tour of Lieut. A. R. Piper, 2d Inf., as military instructor is about to expire have resolved "that in Lieut. Piper we have found an officer and a gentleman whose character and conduct command our utmost respect and from whom we part with the most sincere regret. By his firm and rigidly just discipline he has endeared himself to the cadets under his command and earns for himself and the Government which he represents the admiration of a large number of our best youth and inspired in them a genuine patriotism the influence of which will be widespread and long felt in our State."

Brig. Gen. Prince Joachim Murat, head of the family, has just been put on the retired list of the French Army. The son of an American mother, and born at Bordentown, he entered the French Army as a volunteer, receiving the military medal when a corporal. He is the only General officer in France who obtained the medal while in the ranks. He was rapidly promoted under the empire, becoming Brigadier General just before the outbreak of the war with Germany. He was turned out of the Army with the Orleanist Dukes by Gen. Boulanger in 1886, and though he was restored to his rank by the Conseil d'Etat on his showing that he was not a member of the Bonaparte family, he was never afterward employed on active duty.

The recent marriage, in Atlanta, of Lieut. John Conklin, Jr., 2d Art., to Miss Emma Lowry Howell, is described as one of the social events of the season. The wedding took place at high noon, June 11, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morrow, at West End, and was witnessed by a happy party composed of the families and intimate friends of each party. Maj. Clem, brother-in-law of the groom, acted as best man, and the bridesmaids were Misses Bessie Scott, Mary Gaines and Corbel Venable. Miss Elizabeth Venable was maid of honor. The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. William Howell, of Atlanta, is highly educated and of a brilliant and charming personality. Lieut. Conklin has made many friends during his visit to Atlanta. After the wedding ceremony the bridal party were entertained at luncheon, and then the bride and groom left for the West. They will be "at home" at Fort Riley after the wedding tour.

Col. F. L. Guenther, 4th Art., sailed from San Francisco for the Hawaiian Islands on June 16.

Lieut. Col. Chambers McKibbin, 21st Inf., visited friends in New York City this week, en route to Plattsburg Barracks.

The number of Gen. Barriger's residence in New York City is 46 East Twenty-first street, not 44, as it was printed last week.

Mrs. M. Gray Zalinski, from Fort Riley, Kan., is spending the summer with her father, Hon. Augustus Brandegee, at New London, Conn.

Col. J. W. Clous, Judge Adv. of the Department of the Missouri, rejoined at Chicago this week from a pleasant month's leave, spent in New York and vicinity.

Asst. Surg. Chas. F. Kieffer, U. S. A., was married at Fort Omaha June 18, to Miss Elizabeth Waring, daughter of Capt. John Keyser Waring, 2d U. S. Inf.

Lieut. R. S. Offley, 10th U. S. Inf., a son of the late Col. Robert Hilton Offley, U. S. A., was married June 10, at Cheyenne, Wyo., to Miss Alice A. Parker.

Maj. L. T. Morris, 3d Cav., left Fort Ethan Allen this week to spend a fortnight on leave, leaving Capt. G. A. Dodd, 3d Cav., in temporary command of the post.

Lieut. Farrand Sayre, 8th U. S. Cav., will return to Fort Meade, S. D., next week from Monticello, Mo., where he was recently called by the death of his mother.

Col. E. P. Pearson, 10th Inf., is preparing to leave Fort Reno, O. T., to spend July and August on leave. During his absence Maj. A. H. Bainbridge will command the post.

Lieut. Col. G. B. Russell, 14th Inf., is commanding at Fort McPherson, Ga., Col. W. L. Kellogg, 5th Inf., being still on the sick list, with remote prospect of return to duty.

Mrs. Gen. O. C. Sibley, Mrs. C. McKibbin and daughter, Miss Bessie, left Chicago Monday for their new pleasant home, Plattsburg Barracks. Col. McKibbin will join them in New York City.

Maj. E. D. Judd, U. S. A., who has been abroad for some time past, expects to sail from England for home June 26, on the Normannia. His address will be 58 Garden street, Hartford, Conn.

Capt. W. P. Van Ness, 1st U. S. Art., of Davis Island, will enjoy a month's vacation with his family in the handsome new cottage which he has recently had built at Larchmont Manor, N. Y.

Miss Lucile Sibley, daughter of Capt. F. W. Sibley, 2d Cav., Fort Wingate, N. M., a recent graduate of Waterman Hall Episcopal Seminary, is making a visit with relatives in the pretty little city of Ionia, Mich.

Col. Albert Barnitz, wife and daughter are at St. Paul, Minn. Their daughter, Mrs. Stocking, and her husband, Col. Stocking, will be at the Aberdeen in a short time, and they all expect to spend the summer there and at Lake Minnetonka, where they have a cottage.

Lieut. W. R. Abercrombie, 2d Inf., and detachment, who recently made a trip by bicycle from Omaha to Chicago, accomplished the journey in exactly one week. Very good time, considering that topographical reports of the country passed through had to be prepared each day.

A medal of honor has been awarded to Capt. and Bvt. Maj. Jeremiah J. Brown, 148th Penn. Vol., for "most distinguished gallantry in action" in front of Petersburg, Va., on the night of Oct. 27, 1864. Capt. Brown, with a hundred selected volunteers, assaulted and captured the Confederate works and a number of officers and men.

It is stated that Sergt. John E. Hogan, Bat. C, 1st Art., has fallen heir, with one other, to property worth about \$500,000. It appears that Hogan left his home in Texas when very young. His father owned a farm, which afterward formed a part of the city of Dallas and became very valuable.

The unveiling of the statue of Gen. G. K. Warren, at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, which, it was expected, would take place on June 20, has been postponed until July 4. It is hoped the Secretary of War will give permission for the regulars in New York Harbor, including the Battn. of Engrs. at Willets Point, to be present.

The Indians of the Tonawanda Reservation, New York, are to hold, on June 30, a condolence meeting on the death of Gen. Ely Samuel Parker, formerly of the U. S. A., and of Gen. Grant's staff during the war. At this meeting a Chief Sachem will be inaugurated to fill the vacancy caused by Chief Parker's death.

Queen Victoria of England entered, June 20, upon the sixtieth year of her reign. Beyond the usual ceremonies of accession day, there were no celebrations, those having been postponed until the end of the year, when there will be jubilee fêtes similar to those held in 1887, on the occasion of the fiftieth year of her Majesty's reign.

Comdr. E. S. Houston, U. S. N., at a recent meeting on board the U. S. S. Machias at Chefoo, China, of the Capt. Jeremiah O'Brien Garrison, 144, R. A. and N. U., was, by unanimous resolution, declared an honorary member of the garrison, having proven himself a true friend and kind adviser to those serving under his command on the Machias.

A Niagara Falls dispatch to the Buffalo "Commercial," says: "Visitors to Fort Niagara are loud in their praise of the fine condition of the grounds about the old and famous fortification. The clean condition of the surroundings is certainly very much to the credit of Col. A. T. Smith, 13th Inf., the commandant, and his officers. In years the reservation has not looked so attractive."

Civil Engr. R. E. Peary, U. S. N., returned to New York June 19, to make final arrangements for his trip to the North. He has chartered the steamer Hope, commanded by Capt. Bartlett, and the vessel will leave St. John, N. B., July 10, and on July 12 will make her final start from Sydney, Cape Breton. Among the scientists who take part in the trip are Professor Ralph Tarr, of Cornell, and Professor A. E. Burton, of Boston.

Recent athletic games at Fort Thomas, Ky., have excited much interest and attracted many visitors from Newport and Fort Thomas. A correspondent writes: "Lieut. Bandholtz, 6th Inf., instructor in calisthenics and gymnastics, is to be congratulated on the success attending the contests. He was ably assisted by Lieuts. Peterson, Ryther and Simons, as judges, and Lieut. Bennett, who made an excellent starter."

The Nashville "American," referring to the fact that the detail of Capt. H. C. Ward, 16th Inf., with the Militia of Tennessee, has been prolonged until next year, says: "Since stationed here, Capt. Ward has brought the Militia from its almost dispirited state to a point where the enlisted men are composed of the very best material, and where the young men in the towns throughout the State consider a membership in a company an honor not to be lightly thrown away. It is also due to Capt. Ward's knowledge and experience in handling organized bodies of men that the recent great parade went off as smoothly as it did. As Adjutant to the Chief Marshal the real direction of the parade was in his charge."

Capt. Chas. H. Heyl, 23d Inf., is a recent arrival in Washington, D. C.

Lieut. R. J. Fleming, 7th Cav., left Fort Grant, Ariz., this week on a month's leave.

Lieut. H. A. Reed, 2d Art., rejoined at Fort Schuyler, N. Y. H., early in the week from a short leave.

Capt. J. E. Sawyer, U. S. A., has arrived in Denver, Colo., and is getting settled to duty in that city.

Lieut. Edward T. Brown, with Bat. M., 5th Art., has left Fort Canby, Wash., for the Presidio of San Francisco.

Gen. Martin D. Hardin, U. S. A., residing at 99 Randolph street, Chicago, reached his fifty-ninth birthday on June 26.

Lieut. E. H. Brooke, 21st Inf., on a few weeks' leave from Plattsburg Barracks, is spending it at Asbury Park, N. J.

Capt. Luigi Lomia and his battery, B, 5th Art., has left Fort Canby, and are now quartered at Alcatraz Island, Cal.

Gen. J. W. Forsyth, U. S. A., has returned to San Francisco from a pleasant visit to the Yosemite National Park.

Lieut. M. F. Steele, 8th Cav., has rejoined at Fort Meade, S. D., from a two months' leave, spent mainly at Avondale, Ala.

Gen. Philip Regis de Trobriand, U. S. A., of New Orleans, is a recent visitor to friends in New York, who have made him very welcome.

Our Ambassador at Berlin, Germany, Mr. Uhl, gave a dinner June 20, in honor of Maj. Gen. A. McD. McCook, U. S. A., and Mr. and Mrs. Damsch.

Lieut. J. S. Oyster, 1st Art., on the sick list for some time past, has relinquished duty with Light Battery K, at Fort Hamilton, and gone on sick leave.

Capt. G. W. Crabb, 5th Art., and his battery, H, 5th Art., lately at the Presidio of San Francisco, have now got comfortably settled at Fort Canby, Wash.

Capt. W. C. Minor, U. S. A., who is still living, and who has been in England for many years under peculiar circumstances, reached his sixty-first birthday on June 21.

Mr. Kenney, the father of Mrs. Daniel Lamont, died June 17, at McGrawville, N. Y. Mrs. Lamont was with him at the time. Secretary Lamont left for McGrawville the same day.

President Cleveland, accompanied by Maj. R. M. O'Reilly, Surg. U. S. A., left Washington, D. C., on the night of June 21, for a brief fishing cruise along the South Atlantic coast.

Mr. S. Dana Greene, formerly of the U. S. Navy, and now in business at Schenectady, N. Y., was married June 25, at Batavia, to Miss Cornelia Chandler, daughter of the late Rear Adml. Ralph Chandler, U. S. N.

In a list of ladies at Bay Ridge and vicinity interested in plans for raising money for a library building, given in a recent issue of the New York "Herald," we note "Mrs. Lieutenant, of Fort Hamilton." This is somewhat indefinite.

A Burlington, Vt., dispatch says: "Miss Howard, daughter of Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, has inaugurated the fashion of corresponding from the Adirondacks on nature's cream laid note—birch bark—and the idea found instant adoption with the season's fair mountaineers."

Lieut. Charles R. Noyes, Adjut., 9th Inf., completed his four years' tour in that regimental position on June 18, and has been detailed by Col. Lyster as acting Adjutant until a permanent successor is appointed. Lieut. Noyes' service in the regimental staff position has been most successful and efficient.

We learn from the San Francisco "Call" that Army circles and society at large in San Francisco and vicinity are deeply interested in the engagement of Mrs. Annie Wood, widow of Capt. Wood, to Lieut. W. H. Coffin, 5th U. S. Art., a very popular officer. The wedding is to take place at San Jose in July.

Col. R. T. Frank, commandant of Fort Monroe, Va., has directed a board consisting of Capt. J. M. Ingalls and J. P. Story and Lieut. J. W. Ruckman to report upon a paper on the subject of "Parallel and Independent Fire, with Special Reference to Mortar Batteries," prepared by Lieut. J. T. Honeycutt, 1st Art.

The ceremony of conferring an honorary degree upon Prof. Simon Newcomb, U. S. N., by the University of Cambridge, England, took place at Cambridge June 18. In introducing Prof. Newcomb, the public orator said that his distinction was due in a great degree to his comparative researches into ancient lunar observations.

Leave of absence has been granted to Capt. Nicoll Ludlow, commanding the Monterey. It is understood that Capt. Ludlow is going to Washington and will there, it is expected, meet his fiancée, Mrs. Bugher, the announcement of their engagement having recently been made. No date, so far as can be learned, has been selected for the wedding, but it is not anticipated that it will be long deferred.

We are indebted for a copy of the constitution and rules of the Fort Riley Polo Club, which was organized in April last. The list of membership is as follows: Lieut. H. T. Allen, 2d Cav., president; Lieut. W. M. Whitman, 1st Cav., secretary and treasurer; Lieut. S. P. Adams, 1st Cav.; Lieut. S. B. Arnold, 1st Cav.; Lieut. T. N. Horn, 2d Art.; Lieut. T. J. Lewis, 2d Cav.; Lieut. L. S. Lyon, 2d Art.; Capt. J. D. Poindexter, Asst. Surg.; and Lieut. R. C. Williams, 1st Cav. One of the features of the little volume is a description of "How a Polo Match Should be Played," by J. Moray Brown.

An Atlanta paper, referring to the recent marriage in that city of Lieut. John Conklin, Jr., 2d U. S. Art., to Miss Emma Lowry Howell, says: "The wedding was a private one, on account of serious illness in Lieut. Conklin's family. The bride is a beautiful girl and is further endowed with a fine intellect and a lovely manner. Her father was the late William H. Howell, brother of Capt. Evan P. Howell, of Atlanta. Her mother was Miss Alvarine Hoyle, a woman who was universally loved in Atlanta. For the past year Miss Howell was the guest of her uncle, Lieut. Eli Hoyle, 2d Art., at Fort Riley, Kan., and it was there she was wooed and won by her gallant soldier."

A Fort Meade correspondent, referring to the recent marriage there of Miss Agnes McGregor, daughter of Lieut. Col. Thomas McGregor, 8th Cav., to Capt. Paul Shillock, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., says: "Archdeacon Ware, of Deadwood, officiated. The bridesmaids were the Misses McGregor, Wells, Edith Wells, Godwin, Fountain and Ellis; matron of honor, Mrs. R. W. Johnson, of Fort Logan, sister of the bride; pillow bearer, Miss Davidson, of San Francisco, Cal. Lieut. J. T. Crabb, 8th Cav., was best man, and the ushers were Messrs. Frank McGregor and Alexander Ellis. At 9 P. M. the guests repaired to the post hall, where a reception was held, followed by dancing until after midnight, when supper was served. The bride and groom afterward left for an extended trip through the Yellowstone Park and the Northwest."

Med. Dir. S. N. Jackson, U. S. N., and family are at Narragansett Pier, R. I., for the summer.

Maj. Ernest A. Garlington, Insp. Gen. South Atlantic District, will spend the months of July and August on leave.

Capt. Herbert Cushman, U. S. A., residing at 230 East Eighteenth street, New York City, reached his fifty-second birthday on June 27.

Lieut. John M. Walton, U. S. A., residing at 4205 Chester avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., reached his fifty-fourth birthday on June 24.

Capt. H. K. Bailey, 5th Inf., of Fort McPherson, was again this week in the camp of Alabama troops at Birmingham, from June 20 to June 28.

Lieut. J. M. Sigworth, 9th Inf., on leave since May 17 last, when he left Fort Reno, has joined his regiment at Madison Barracks, Sacketts Harbor, N. Y.

Col. R. H. Hall, 4th Inf., arrived at Peekskill, N. Y., this week, to be present at the opening, on June 27, of the State Encampment for the season of 1896.

Lieut. J. P. Finley, 9th Inf., has, says the Kansas City "Times," been offered the position of regimental Quartermaster, but has declined, preferring to stay his full term at the Infantry and Cavalry School.

The Emperor of Germany has, it is stated, changed the trim of his moustache, no longer curls it up at the ends, but wears it perfectly straight, which gives him a more benignant and less ferocious aspect.

Capt. H. C. Ward, 16th Inf., much to the satisfaction of the State troops of Tennessee, has had his tour with them and station at Nashville extended until the close of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition next year.

Lieut. Walter Monteith Whitman, 1st U. S. Cav., of Fort Riley, was to be married on Wednesday evening of this week, June 24, at Akron, O., to Miss Nina Edgerton, daughter of Mr. Sidney Edgerton, of that city.

Lieut. R. H. Patterson, 1st Art., is preparing to leave Fort Wadsworth for Fort Hamilton on his promotion to a Captaincy, which will take place on Monday next, June 29, by the retirement for age of Capt. R. G. Shaw, to whose long and excellent record of service we have heretofore referred.

Among the names mentioned for Captain and Commissary of Subsistence, U. S. A., to fill one of the existing vacancies, is that of Lieut. John A. Lockwood, 4th Cav. Lieut. Lockwood has an excellent record, and has the endorsement of Senator Gray, of Delaware, and Hon. W. F. Harry, of Pennsylvania.

The celebration at Oswego, N. Y., on July 15, anniversary of evacuation of Fort Ontario by the British troops, promises to be a big occasion. Secretary of War Lamont and Maj. Gens. Miles and Ruger are expected, and Col. W. J. Lyster, 9th Inf., with his regiment from Sacketts Harbor, will be present. Gen. Horace Porter will deliver the oration.

Nowhere more than in Arizona has there been more sincere sorrow over the death of Capt. John G. Bourke, 3d Cav. The Phoenix "Herald" says: "His service to Arizona in the subjugation of the Apaches can never be estimated, much less repaid. His old-time soldier comrades and the pioneers of Arizona will bear in memory his generous and brave deeds so long as they remain behind him on the hither shore."

Navy officers lately registering in New York City are Gunner W. A. Cable, Morton House; Naval Cadets E. McCauley, Jr., R. H. Robinson, L. C. Palmer, F. E. Ridgely, Pope Washington, C. L. Poor, and K. G. Castleman, Holland House; Naval Cadets M. St. C. Ellis, Astor House; Med. Dir. S. Jackson, Albemarle; Naval Cadet A. E. Kalbach, Asst. Engr. J. S. Porter, Grand Hotel; Lieut. E. E. Capehart, Ensign A. H. Davis, Hotel Imperial; Asst. Surg. M. K. Johnson, Sturtevant.

At Fort Assiniboine correspondent, referring to an address made by Lieut. Col. A. S. Daggett, 25th Inf., on last Memorial Day, says: "He delivered one of the most eloquent orations it has ever been the good fortune of people living here to listen to from the lips of any man. The whole discourse constituted a tribute of surpassing force and beauty. His voice, which is peculiarly well adapted to open-air addresses, being possessed of easy carrying powers, and his serene and thoroughly pleasant manner combined to delight the audience. Col. Daggett will be a social and intellectual factor wherever he may serve."

In the will of the late Mary A. Livingston, widow of Rear Adml. John W. Livingston, of the U. S. N., are charitable bequests, \$5,000 each to the American Seamen's Friend Society, Society for Promoting the Gospel Among the Seamen in the Port of New York, the Marine Society, Home for Incurables, St. Luke's Hospital, and the Sheltering Arms. Rebecca Lloyd Brunnow, a niece residing in Switzerland, receives \$50,000; two cousins, \$5,000 each, and Phoebe Lloyd Stevens, another cousin, \$15,000 in trust. There are bequests of from \$5,000 to \$1,000 left to old servants of the family. The rest and residue of the estate is devised to the great niece of the deceased, Adele Livingston Stevens.

A Washington society correspondent, referring to the summer plans of the wives of Cabinet Ministers, writes: "Mrs. Lamont and family will spend the season at Seabright, N. J., where the Secretary has taken a cottage. The Lamont stables, as usual, are elegantly equipped, both the Secretary of War and his wife having admirable judgment in such matters. The children have their jolly little pony phaeton, which is a pleasantly familiar sight to Washingtonians. Mrs. Lamont, who has quite a reputation in amateur photography, will make a series of studies of waves and clouds, to add to her already valuable collection. The pretty ruler of the household of the Secretary of the Navy will accompany her father on the Dolphin, visiting Newport and Bar Harbor. No more agreeable trip can be imagined than this."

Orders have been issued by the Navy Department for the trial of P. A. Paymr. Edwin D. Webster, at San Francisco. The importance of the case is indicated by the fact that Lieut. Lauchheimer, Asst. Judge Adv. Gen., has been ordered to San Francisco for duty as Judge Advocate of the court. Mr. Webster recently returned from the Asiatic station on the cruiser Concord, and on his return was confronted with charges laid before the officials at San Francisco by his former pay clerk. It seems that when Mr. Webster departed from the United States on his three years' cruise he selected a young man in San Francisco, son of a widow, as pay clerk, but is said to have required of the man's mother that she place at his disposal the sum of \$2,500, which was to be accepted as a bond to cover any loss that the officer might sustain. Some months after joining the China fleet the clerk became dissatisfied with his duties and his employer and asked and received his discharge from the Navy, with privilege to return home at his own expense. He then demanded the money advanced by his mother, but was told by the Paymaster, it is stated, that, until the Treasury Department had adjudicated the accounts, it would not be returned. It is now claimed that Mr. Webster is still withholding the money.

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH.

On Friday evening, June 5, the officers and ladies gave a large and elegant reception in the post hall in honor of Col. and Mrs. Theaker. In spite of the cold, drizzling rain, which kept up most of the evening, the guests from the city were many and the hall was filled with the gay throng. The guests were received by Maj. and Mrs. McLaughlin, Capt. and Mrs. Noble, Capt. and Mrs. Richards, Capt. Whittall, Capt. and Mrs. Allen, Lieut. and Mrs. George, Lieut. and Mrs. Wright and presented to Col. and Mrs. Theaker and Miss Theaker, who occupied the seat of honor at the head of the hall. Delicious refreshments were served in the Officers' Club.

Mrs. Charles Steedman is spending a short visit with her brother-in-law, Lieut. Steedman, while awaiting her husband's arrival from California. Mrs. Lieut. Wright has returned from Kentucky.

Capt. and Mrs. Whittall entertained Capt. and Mrs. McFarland at dinner last Sunday. Capt. Whittall received a present of two silver-tip grizzly bear cubs from Price Station, Utah, last week. They were very savage little beasts, but are being tamed by the men of H Company, to whom the Captain gave the bears.

Lieut. Sorley entertained at a high tea last week. His guests were Miss Anderson and Miss Clarke, from the city, and Lieut. and Mrs. Palmer and Lieut. Steedman from the post.

Capt. and Mrs. Richards entertained Dr. G. L. Edie at dinner during his visit to the post.

Miss Beatrice Harding, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Lieut. Carey. She will remain in the post to spend part of the bathing season, which has just opened at Great Salt Lake.

Friday afternoon, June 5, Pvt. Roger Kieley, Co. H, ended his life with a Krag-Jorgensen rifle. About 3 o'clock that afternoon 1st Sgt. Dudley entered the quarters and saw Kieley standing near the gunrack with a rifle in his hands. Kieley saw the Sergeant, and said, "I wouldn't shoot you, Sergeant. You have always been a good friend of mine. Here's the last of old Roger Kieley." With that Kieley drew a cartridge from his pocket and placed it in the rifle. The Sergeant called to the men to catch him. One man started for him and Kieley turned the rifle against him and told him to keep away. In the mean time another man went up behind Kieley and took the rifle away. Sergeant Dudley then ordered Kieley confined. About fifteen minutes after he had been confined Kieley called the Corporal of the Guard, Corp. Kase, of H Company, and asked for a "glass of water." Kase opened the cell door and let Kieley out. He went to the bathroom and got his water and returned. Kase was standing by the cell door, with the gunrack a few feet behind him. Kieley, instead of going back into the cell, made a sudden rush past Kase, snatched a gun from the rack and started back for the bathroom. Kase tried to stop Kieley, but he quickly loaded the rifle and told the former to keep back. Kase immediately called for the sentinel on No. 1-on the guardhouse porch-and alarmed the guard. At this Kieley ran into the bathroom and almost immediately the report of the rifle was heard. This was repeated, and when the guard rushed into the bathroom they found Kieley lying on the floor in a pool of blood, and his brains oozing from a horrible wound in his head. The bullet had cut a groove through the center of his face, tearing out the nose, eyes and whole center of the face, causing instant death. Kieley had served nearly fifteen years, and was a man of excellent character, except that he drank heavily at times. He has well-to-do relatives in California, and at one time was a prominent man in that State. In the early '70's Kieley ran for Mayor of San Francisco on the Democratic ticket, but was defeated. He was also interested in mines.

The work done by the soldiers here with the new rifle at target practice has been far above what was expected. The new arm is rapidly gaining favor among the soldiers, and the crack shots predict a brilliant future for it. Some of the scores made so far have been nothing less than phenomenal. Pvt. Jackson, Co. H, made eight successive bull's-eyes at 500 yards, and several men have made possibilities. The following are the scores of the leading man in each company at 200, 300 and 500 yards:

Name.	200 Yards.	300 Yards.	500 Yards.	Total.
Fleming, Co. A.....	82	68	86	236
French, Co. B.....	74	84	91	249
Drechlar, Co. C.....	81	89	85	255
O'Flaherty, Co. D.....	86	85	84	255
Blazek, Co. E.....	84	82	85	251
Wilkes, Co. F.....	78	74	89	241
Davidson, Co. G.....	85	85	89	259
Lingelbach, Co. H.....	85	76	85	246

These scores show a decided improvement over those of last year, and equal if not surpass those made with the Springfield in '94. The crack-shots are greatly pleased with the shooting qualities of the new rifle, but are unanimous in their opinions that the rear sight should be corrected for drift, and a few other changes made in the breech mechanism.

Q. M. Gen. Batchelder visited the post a few days ago. He was on his last tour before retiring from the service. He was accompanied by his nephew, Mr. Batchelder and Maj. Davis. Surg. Gen. Sternberg was also a visitor to the post a few days ago. He was entertained by Maj. Dr. Girard.

Mrs. Capt. McFarland has returned to the post after a long visit to New York. Her son, Landram, is expected shortly. He has been studying surgery in New York City.

ENGLISH-JACKSON.

Schenectady, N. Y., June 18.-The marriage of Miss Mary Katharine Jackson, daughter of Col. Allan H. Jackson, U. S. A., to Mr. Harry Jerome English, of Denver, took place last Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, at St. George's Episcopal Church, Schenectady, N. Y. The bride was given away by her father, Col. Jackson, who wore the full dress uniform of the United States Army. Her gown was of heavy white satin en traine, and bodice veiled in chiffon with pearl trimming and orange blossoms, the long veil being caught up by a wreath of the same, and she carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids wore gowns of organdy over silk, and carried large bunches of white daisies tied with broad white satin ribbon. They were Miss Dora Mason, of Baltimore, the bride's cousin, in pink; Miss Louise Taylor, of Poughkeepsie, in pale yellow; Miss Katharine Franchot, in light blue, and Miss Henrietta Gates, in mauve, both of Schenectady.

The best man was Mr. Allan H. Jackson, of Schenectady, cousin of the bride, and Mr. Guy H. Miller, son of ex-Senator Warner Miller, of Herkimer, N. Y.; Mr. Douglas Campbell, cousin of the bride, and Mr. Nelson Waite, both of Schenectady, were the ushers. Mrs.

Jackson, the bride's mother, wore a handsome costume of yellow satin brocade and black lace.

The ceremony at the church was followed by a large reception at the home of the bride's uncle, Judge Samuel Jackson, No. 27 Washington avenue, which handsome residence was decorated with exquisite palms and a profusion of rare spring flowers-the bride and groom standing under a floral arch to receive their guests.

The presents were numerous and costly, among which was a beautiful set of pearls from the bride's mother, this being the third bride to wear them. They were originally the gift of Lieut. Gov. Edward P. Livingston to his bride seventy years ago, when he married the beautiful Miss Broom, of Albany, an aunt of Mrs. Jackson.

A handsome house, fully furnished, in Denver, was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. English, parents of the groom. After a tour of the watering places in the East, Mr. and Mrs. English will go to their new home in Denver, the first of September.

NEW RIFLE FOR THE FRENCH ARMY.

It has been practically decided that the whole of the military artillery shall be remodeled, and the Army gradually supplied at a very heavy cost with cannon of a new pattern. Now it transpires that for some time past the expediency of substituting another weapon for the Lebel rifle has been under consideration at the War Office. The choice of the authorities is expected to fall on a rifle of the caliber of 6½ millimeters, of which it is affirmed, 3,000,000 samples could be supplied at an expense of about £5,000,000. This, however, remains to be seen. So much store has been set by French experts on the Lebel arm that the War Office authorities may well hesitate ere they decide on replacing it, the more so as the modification of the artillery will entail an extremely heavy outlay on the part of the already overburdened taxpayer.-Paris Correspondence London "Telegraph."

TESTS OF THE KRAG-JORGENSEN.

Fort Riley, Kan., June 20.-An official test of the Krag-Jorgensen was made on dead bodies at post today under the direction of Dr. J. D. Griffith, of Kansas City, member of the United States Association of Military Surgeons and chairman of the National Committee on testing new guns, assisted by a dozen attending surgeons and photographers. The object of the test was to find out the relative effects of the use of the Krag-Jorgensen gun, from a humanitarian point of view, as compared with other Army rifles. This test has demonstrated to the minds of those who participated that the Krag-Jorgensen gun cannot be called a humane gun.

The three corpses to be experimented upon were placed side by side in an erect position just at the base of a hill, and a paper target was placed in front of each body to furnish a sight. Adj. Scoll, 5th Cav., placed a detail of sharpshooters at a distance of 1,000 yards, and then at 1,500 yards. The firing was first by singles and then by volleys. Examinations of the bodies were made at intervals. Photographs were made of the wounds, showing as much as possible of their nature. The bodies were liberally perforated with bullets, nearly every organ and muscle being struck. Post-mortem examinations were made after the tests, and from them the following deductions were drawn:

At distances up to 1,000 yards the explosive quality of the Krag-Jorgensen bullets, and consequently the cruelty of its use, is terrific. The explosive quality is most marked in soft tissues and cavities, the brain and lung tissues being terribly torn. When viscera are grazed by a bullet, they are much mutilated. Blood vessels are cut, not torn; hence the death rate on the field will be very great-four killed to one wounded, probably. Tendons are the only tissues in the body which seem to be turned aside by the ball.

Further deductions drawn from experiments by firing into fresh and hard earth are as follows: Battles of the future will not be fought at artillery range. Any soldier can protect himself by the use of his bayonet as a pick. The best protection is loose, dry earth; next best, loose sand. Hard earth offers little resistance to bullets, which pass through from 16 to 20 inches of it practically without mutilation, whereas, that many inches of fresh earth tear the bullet all to pieces.

FORT McPHERSON.

If all other garrisons are kept as busy as that of this post, it cannot be said that the life of a soldier is a lazy one. Calisthenics, company and battalion drills, dress parades, etc., fill the cooler hours of the days (and some of the hotter ones). An outdoor gymnasium gives full opportunity for the first named, and it is also supplemented by ball playing of different kinds, under guise of duty. Footballs get lively kicking for half an hour each morning. "Basket-ball" affords chances for lively "scrimmaging" between companies, while double time, which has become a fad with some officers, keeps others busy.

The latter furnished the end man of a minstrel troupe with a joke not long ago. The fellow had (he said) left the Army, and was looking for work. It was promised him, and as added inducement, he was told that extra hours would be paid as "double time." "No, you don't," replied the would-be workman. "I left the Army on account of too much double time." One officer, with a wide experience in field and garrison, has remarked that he had seen more double timing here than in all his previous Army life put together.

Companies A (Randall) and F (Borden) formed the escort for the G. A. R. to the National Cemetery at Marietta on Memorial Day. The other six companies, which went to Nashville, Tenn., to take part in the State Centennial parade June 5, did not have a very enjoyable time, owing to rain and consequent mud, and old soldiers had many laughs at the younger ones' ideas of campaign hardships, reminding one of the somewhat forcible remarks of an old campaigner in Montana years ago, addressed to a tired recruit, who, footsore and hungry, was holding to the endgate of a wagon and wishing for camp. "Oh, shut up you tenderfoot, you just ought to have been in this regiment when 'Paddy' Miles was chasin' Indians with it. You wouldn't have been hangin' onto the 'tailgate' of no wagon; you'd have been straddle of a cayuse a-carryin' your own grub, an' ridin' day an' night, an' no time for growlin'.

Col. Kellogg is still seriously ill from a complication of diseases. His son, Dr. William Kellogg, is with him.

Capt. Romeyn, who has been on sick leave since last winter, is improving in health.

Measles and whooping-cough, which were quite prevalent in the garrison, especially among children, have disappeared.

Mrs. Dr. Taylor, who has been absent visiting friends in Virginia, returned about two weeks since.

Capt. Forbes, Bowen and Woodruff are away on leave. Mrs. Forbes, who is in very poor health, has gone North for medical treatment.

Asst. Surg. Wales and family have returned from Fort Monroe, where he has been on temporary duty for about three months.

Mrs. Morford (née Randall) is visiting her father and sister at the post. Mrs. Hackney, who has been spending some months in New York and vicinity, has also returned.

Capt. H. K. Bailey is on duty at the camp of Alabama troops at Birmingham, Ala. Lieuts. Liggett and Gurney are on similar duty at "Camp Northern," with the Georgia Militia.

Mrs. Porter, wife of Maj. Charles Porter, has arrived at the post. Miss Romeyn, daughter of Capt. Romeyn, has gone North for the summer.

After long delay and some abortive attempts at organizing, the Officers' Club has at last gotten into existence and is quartered in the upper rooms of the Administration building.

The McPherson Minstrels, under management of Lieut. O'Brien, have given two entertainments lately to full houses. The new Exchange building fills a pressing need, and furnishes a very comfortable place for enlisted men to pass unemployed hours. Col. E. Rice is officer in charge.

FORT WARREN.

Gen. Miles, with the members of the Medal of Honor Legion, visited Fort Warren on Bunker Hill Day. They were met at the wharf by Col. Woodruff and officers of the command, and shown about the fort. The General expressed himself as much pleased with the condition in which he found the post.

Gen. Miles has been extensively entertained by the people of Massachusetts since his arrival in Boston. Col. Woodruff, who is very popular in the city, took a prominent part in many of the festivities. At the banquet given by the Governor of the Commonwealth and the Mayor of Boston, Col. Woodruff was called upon to respond to the toast, "The Army of the United States of America." He did so in a manner which called forth much applause.

Miss Kate Watkins, the distinguished artist, is spending the summer at Warren, with her sister, Mrs. Smith. The gunners' board, consisting of Col. Woodruff, Lieut. Miles and Lieut. Barroll, reached here last week. The hop Friday evening was a farewell to them, as they left on the 20th inst. for Fort Preble.

Miss Jessie Wood, of Chicago, has been visiting Col. Woodruff; Mr. and Mrs. Lock, of Atlanta, at Lieut. Weaver's, and Mr. Ted Osgood, at Dr. Clendenin's.

Capt. Richmond and Lieut. Catlin have returned from court martial duty at Fort Preble. Adj. Gen. Dalton entertained Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. Schenck, the Misses Schenck, Miss Weaver, Lieut. Smith, the Misses Smith and Dr. Clendenin at the State encampment last week.

On Thursday of this week the steamer Resolute made evening trips in order to convey a party of officers and ladies to and from the circus in Boston.

Lieut. Heiberg, unassigned, and Cadet Benchley, U. S. M. A., who are visiting in Worcester, recently came to Fort Warren, and while here called upon the commanding officer.

FORT ETHAN ALLEN, VERMONT.

The Commanding General of the Army is expected to visit this post about July 15.

Target practice is in full bloom and according to the opinions of expert shots, the new magazine carbine is not considered a favorite.

Troop G, 3d Cav., returned from Concord, N. H., last Sunday morning, reaching here after a hot and dusty march of twenty-nine miles at 10 o'clock. Officers and men of the troop cannot speak too highly of Vermont's and New Hampshire's hospitality and the attentions shown them on their march to and from Concord. With only one exception the troop was pleasantly entertained with dinners, suppers, refreshments, song and music at every place camp was made and a number of other places the command passed through. The troop is also very much indebted to officers and men of the N. H. N. G. for their kindness shown during the encampment, and it will always prove a pleasant remembrance to the troop on days gone by spent in harmony and sincere friendship with the soldiers of the Granite State. Numerous acquaintances have been formed at Concord, and officers and men of Troop G, 3d Cav., have but pleasant recollections of their stay at the capital of New Hampshire.

The four troops of cavalry stationed at this post are expected to go on a practice march in August.

NAVAL WAR COLLEGE.

The following is a list of officers of the U. S. Navy attached to the Naval War College, Newport, R. I., with their places of residence, those marked with an asterisk having their families with them: Capt. H. C. Taylor, president,* War College; Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Pillsbury,* Maitland villa; Lieut. W. R. Rosh,* War College; Lieut. Marbury Johnston, War College; Ensigns L. A. Bostwick and J. V. Chase, War College. The officers in attendance on the course for the summer are as follows: Comdrs. Horace Elmer, Maitland villa; R. E. Impey,* 125 Church street; J. F. Merry, Maitland villa; M. R. S. Mackenzie,* 22 Catherine street; and W. T. Burwell and Lieut. Comdr. Moore, Torpedo Station; Comdr. C. C. Todd, Wilbur's, 93 Pelham street; Comdr. George A. Bicknell,* Wilbur's, 93 Pelham street; Lieut. Comdr. B. S. Richards,* Gardner House, Jamestown; Lieut. Comdr. J. R. Selfridge,* Gardner House, Jamestown; Lieut. Comdr. William H. Everett,* 14 Catherine street; Lieut. Comdr. B. H. Buckingham,* Muenchinger-King cottage; Lieut. J. B. Collins, War College; Lieut. A. C. Dillingham, Thorndike, Jamestown; Lieut. J. H. Bull, War College; Lieut. F. E. Sawyer,* Mrs. Langley, 11 Mann avenue; Lieut. J. G. Quinby, War College; Lieut. A. C. Almy, Mrs. Draper, 29 Bull street; Ensigns H. K. Benham, War College; W. K. Harrison,* Mrs. Draper, 29 Bull street; M. H. Signor, War College; C. T. Vogelsang, War College; W. A. Moffett, 125 Church street; J. R. Edie, Rudolph's, 106 Church street; Lieut. J. T. Meyers, U. S. M. C., and Lieut. L. J. Magill, U. S. M. C., Thorndike, Jamestown.

THE ARMY.

DANIEL S. LAMONT, Sec'y of War. J. B. DOZ, Asst. Sec'y.

G. O. 24, H. Q. A., A. G. O., June 19, 1896.

By direction of the Acting Secretary of War, an agreement providing for the reciprocal crossing of the international boundary line by the troops of the United States and the Republic of Mexico in pursuit of hostile Indians, is published for the information and government of all concerned:

The agreement allows reciprocal crossing of the boundary line in close pursuit of Kid's hostile band of Indians. Scouts are to be allowed to go only as guides and trailers unarmed, and not more than two to each company or detachment. Crossing is allowed only in uninhabited or desert parts of the boundary line which are defined to be points at least ten kilometers distant from any encampment or town. No crossing to be allowed between Capitan Leal and the Rio Grande. Notice of an intended crossing is to be given to the nearest military or civil authority of the countries whose territory is about to be entered. Occupation of the foreign territory is to continue only so long as is necessary to pursue the band whose trail is being followed, or to chastise other Indians who may be met. The temporary loss of a trail is not to compel a return where there is a reasonable prospect of soon finding it again. Abuses committed by military forces on a foreign territory are to be punished by each Government conformative with its laws, the guilty parties being withdrawn from the frontier. Each Government is responsible for denial of justice in punishment of the guilty parties. This provisional agreement shall remain in force until Kid's band of hostile Indians shall be wholly exterminated or rendered obedient to one of the two Governments.

H. Q. A., A. G. O., June 22, 1896.

Appointments, promotions, etc., of commissioned officers recorded in the A. G. O. during the week ending Saturday, June 20, 1896.

Promotion and Assignment.

Cavalry Arm.

1st Lieut. Franklin O. Johnson, 3d Cav., to be Captain, June 8, 1896, vice Bourke, 3d Cav., deceased, to the 3d Cavalry.

2d Lieut. Alexander W. Perry, 9th Cav., to be 1st Lieutenant, June 8, 1896, vice Johnson, 3d Cav., promoted, to the 3d Cavalry.

Artillery Arm.

Lieut. Col. Francis L. Guenther, 5th Art., to be Colonel, June 6, 1896, vice Closson, 4th Art., retired from active service, to the 4th Artillery.

Maj. William Sinclair, 2d Art., to be Lieutenant Colonel, June 6, 1896, vice Guenther, 5th Art., promoted, to the 5th Artillery.

Capt. Edward Field, 4th Art., to be Major, June 6, 1896, vice Sinclair, 2d Art., promoted, to the 2d Artillery.

1st Lieut. Harry R. Anderson, 4th Art., to be Captain, June 6, 1896, vice Field, 4th Art., promoted, to the 4th Artillery.

2d Lieut. Wilnot E. Ellis, 5th Art., to be 1st Lieutenant, June 6, 1896, vice Anderson, 4th Art., promoted, to the 4th Artillery.

Additional 2d Lieut. Brooke Payne, 4th Art., to the vacancy of 2d Lieutenant, June 6, 1896, with rank from June 12, 1895, vice Ellis, 5th Art., promoted, to the 5th Artillery.

Infantry Arm.

2d Lieut. Harry R. Lee, 11th Inf., to be 1st Lieutenant, June 8, 1896, vice Penn, 2d Inf., appointed Quartermaster, to the 2d Infantry.

THOMAS M. VINCENT, A. A. G.

G. O. 25, H. Q. A., A. G. O., June 24, 1896.

Publishes tables of the price of clothing and equipage, and of tableware and kitchen utensils, for the Army of the United States, with the money allowance for clothing of the enlisted men for each year and day, also of the allowances of equipages and of tableware and kitchen utensils, to take effect July 1, 1896, and to remain in force until further orders. By command of Maj. Gen. Miles: GEO. D. RUGGLES, A. G.

GENERAL OFFICERS.

Brig. Gen. E. S. Otis, Dept. of Columbia, Comdr., accompanied by Maj. George S. Wilson, Asst. Adj. Gen., will proceed to Puget Sound, Wash., and to Juneau, Sitka, and other points in southeastern Alaska, to inspect and observe the condition of affairs in that section of this military department. (S. O. 91, D. Cal., June 5.)

STAFF DEPARTMENTS.

The leave granted Capt. Richard W. Johnson, Asst. Surg., is extended seven days. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

The leave granted Capt. Charles Shaler, Ord. Dept., is extended ten days. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Capt. Henry B. Osgood, Comy. of Sub., will report to Col. Charles T. Alexander, Asst. Surg. Gen., president of the examining board appointed to meet at the Army building, New York City, for examination as to his fitness for promotion. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Maj. Charles A. Woodruff, Comy. of Sub., is detailed as a member of the examining board convened at the Army building, New York City, vice Col. John W. Barriger, A. C. G. of Subsistence, retired. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Leave of absence for two months, to take effect when his services can be spared, is granted 1st Lieut. James F. McIndoe, C. E., and so much of Par. 4, S. O. 104, May 2, 1896, as relieves him from duty under the immediate orders of Capt. Dan C. Kingman, C. E., is suspended until the expiration of the leave granted. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Leave of absence for two months, to take effect on or about Aug. 1, 1896, is granted Maj. Louis M. Maus, Surg. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Capt. William Crozier, Ord. Dept., will proceed from Governors Island, New York City, to Cleveland, O., on official business pertaining to the manufacture of gun carriages. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Post Q. M. Sergt. John M. Hactor, now at 638 West Fourth street, Cincinnati, O., on furlough from Fort Robinson, Neb., will be sent to the new post near Little Rock, Ark., for duty. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

The following transfers of Sergeants of the Signal Corps are made:

Sergt. Jacob Fetzner, now at Fort Brown, Tex., to Fort Ringgold, Tex., as soon after July 1, 1896, as his services can be spared at Fort Brown, to relieve Sergt. Robert W. Hoff; Sergt. Charles A. Blackwood, now at Laredo, Tex., to San Antonio, Tex., as soon after July 1, 1896, as his services can be spared at Laredo. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Pvt. George F. Maule, Hospital Corps, now at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., is transferred to Fort Riley, Kan. (H. Q. A., June 24.)

Pvt. John Whitehead, Hospital Corps, now at Fort

Monroe, Va., is detailed as Acting Hospital Steward at that post. (H. Q. A., June 24.)

Pvt. Garrison W. Still, Hospital Corps, now at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., is transferred to Washington Barracks, D. C. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Cadet William T. Patten, U. S. M. A., is granted leave of absence on surgeon's certificate of disability for one month. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Medical Department are ordered:

Maj. Daniel M. Appel, Surg., is relieved from duty at Fort Porter, N. Y., and will report in person to the commanding officer of the new post near Little Rock, Ark., for duty at that post; Capt. Aaron H. Appel, Asst. Surg., is relieved from duty as examiner of recruits at Chicago, Ill., and will report in person to the commanding officer, Fort Porter, N. Y., for duty at that post. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Brig. Gen. Adolphus W. Greely, Chief Signal Officer, is detailed as president, and 1st Lieut. George L. Anderson, 4th Art., as recorder, of the Army and Navy joint board to investigate the subject of signal codes. Lieut. Anderson will report to Gen. Greely for duty accordingly. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

The following transfers are ordered: Post Q. M. Sergt. Henry Donaldson, now at 739 North Campbell avenue, Chicago, Ill., on furlough, having relinquished the unexpired portion of the furlough, to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to relieve Post Q. M. Sergt. Richard J. Kemball; Post Q. M. Sergt. Kemball, when thus relieved, to St. Francis Barracks, Fla. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Leave for one month, to take effect about June 5, is granted Capt. Walter D. McCaw, Asst. Surg. (S. O. 68, D. T., June 15.)

Leave for twelve days, on surgeon's certificate of disability, is granted Maj. Louis M. Maus, Surg. (S. O. 68, D. T., June 15.)

Leave for four days is granted Capt. C. M. Gandy, Asst. Surg. (Washington Barracks, June 18.)

In an official order announcing the retirement of Comy. Sergt. James Ryan, the commander of Fort Custer says: "In all his service, Sergt. Ryan bears the enviable record of having never lost a day of service through sickness or otherwise; nor has he ever been tried by court martial. His unwavering integrity has won for him the respect of all who have known him; his courteous manner and honorable bearing have established the favorable regard of both officers and men."

Leave for seven days, with permission to apply for an extension of twenty-three days, is granted Capt. G. E. Bushnell, Asst. Surg. (Fort Hamilton, June 20.)

The leave for seven days granted Capt. George E. Bushnell, Asst. Surg., is extended twenty-three days. (S. O. 146, D. E., June 24.)

Maj. William L. Alexander, C. S., will visit Greeley, Fort Collins, Eastonville, Eaton, or Longmont, Colo., not exceeding four times per month in all, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, for the purpose of inspecting subsistence stores. (H. Q. A., June 23.)

CAVALRY, ARTILLERY AND INFANTRY.

1st CAVALRY.—COL. ABRAM K. ARNOLD.

2d Lieut. William J. Glasgow, 1st Cav., A. D. C., will proceed to Hondo and Sabinal, Tex., and vicinity, and return, on public business, to inspect sites suitable for a target range for Fort Sam Houston. (S. O. 68, D. T., June 15.)

2d CAVALRY.—COLONEL GEORGE G. HUNTT.

1st Lieut. John S. Winn, 2d Cav., at his own request, will be relieved from duty at the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., Aug. 28, 1896, and will proceed to join his troop. (H. Q. A., June 18.)

Leave for one month is granted 2d Lieut. William H. Paine, 2d Cav., Fort Logan, Colo. (S. O. 49, D. C., June 19.)

Leave for four days is granted Capt. E. T. C. Richmond, 2d Cav. (Fort Warren, June 24.)

4th CAVALRY.—COL. CHAS. E. COMPTON.

Par. 2 of S. O. 143, June 18, 1896, is amended to grant 2d Lieut. James H. Reeves, 4th Cav., leave until July 31, 1896. (H. Q. A., June 20.)

Corp. Charles Hildebrandt, Troop A, 4th Cav., now at Fort Walla Walla, Wash., is transferred to the Hospital Corps as a private. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Leave for one month and ten days, to take effect on or about July 1, 1896, is granted 2d Lieut. James H. Reeves, 4th Cav. (H. Q. A., June 18.)

6th CAVALRY.—COL. SAMUEL S. SUMNER.

Lieut. Col. Henry Carroll, 6th Cav., now at Fort Reno, O. T., is assigned to duty with the four troops of the 6th Cavalry at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. (S. O. 99, D. Mo., June 17.)

8th CAVALRY.—COL. CALEB H. CARLTON.

Leave for fourteen days is granted 1st Lieut. Farrand Sayre, 8th Cav., Fort Meade, S. D. (S. O. 63, D. P., June 15.)

Sergt. James Colgan, Troop H, 8th Cav., was married June 10, at Fort Meade, to Miss Laura Hammond, sister of 1st Sergt. Hammond. Many of the officers and ladies, who had attended the same day the wedding of Capt. Shillock and Miss McGregor, attended this one, and Troop H was present in full force to do honor to their comrade. Archdeacon Ware officiated and the orchestra played the wedding march. After the ceremony a reception was tendered at the home of 1st Sergt. and Mrs. Hammond.

9th CAVALRY.—COL. JAMES BIDDLE.

Pvt. J. B. Nellis, Troop A, 9th Cav., was drowned June 17, near Fort Robinson, Neb., while instructing the troop horses how to swim. His people belong to Providence, R. I.

1st ARTILLERY.—COL. ROYAL T. FRANK.

Leave for two days is granted Maj. John G. Turnbull, 1st Art. (Fort Hamilton, June 18.)

Lieut. F. S. Harlow, 1st Art., is detailed post ordnance officer. (Fort Wadsworth, June 19.)

The leave for five days granted 2d Lieut. William J. Snow, 1st Art., is hereby extended twenty-one days. (S. O. 144, D. E., June 22.)

Lance Corp. H. Reissar, 1st Art., has been appointed Corporal.

2d ARTILLERY.—COL. RICHARD LODOR.

Pvt. Eugene Craig, Light Bat. F, 2d Art., has been appointed Corporal.

Leave for one month is granted 1st Lieut. Edward H. Catlin, 2d Art. (S. O. 144, D. E., June 22.)

3d ARTILLERY.—COL. EDMUND C. BAINBRIDGE.

Leave for seven days is hereby granted Lieut. J. E. Hoffer, 3d Art. (Fort Monroe, June 22.)

Sergt. J. O. Fessmire, C, 3d Art., and guard, will conduct a prisoner to Fort Columbus. (Washington Barracks, June 22.)

Corp. S. J. Parker, L, 3d Art., has been promoted Sergeant.

Leave for three days is granted Lieut. A. Campbell, 3d Art. (Wash. Bks., June 23.)

4th ARTILLERY.—COL. FRANCIS L. GUENTHER.

Sergt. Jacob Kerner, Light Bat. B, 4th Art., tried at Fort Adams, and found guilty of drunkenness on duty and of conduct to the prejudice, was sentenced "To be reduced to the ranks, and to forfeit \$20 of his pay," and the sentence has been approved.

1st Lieut. Albert S. Cummins, 4th Art., A. D. C., is announced as Engineer Officer on the Department of the East Staff. (G. O. 9, D. E., June 22.)

Leave for one month, to take effect July 2, is granted 1st Lieut. Adelbert Cronkhite, 4th Art. (S. O. 144, D. E., June 22.)

Battery A, 4th Artillery, will leave for Fort Monroe for target practice June 30; Battery M, on July 1. Capt. Walter Howe will command the camp in July. (Washington Barracks, June 20.)

Maj. Edward Field, 4th Art., is relieved from duty at post and will transfer public property to Capt. Harry R. Anderson. (Fort Adams, June 18.)

5th ARTILLERY.—COL. WM. M. GRAHAM.

2d Lieut. John W. Jeyes, 5th Art., will report for duty to the superintendent of the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., Aug. 20, 1896. (H. Q. A., June 18.)

Lieut. Col. William Sinclair, 5th Art., is relieved from duty at post. (Fort Adams, June 18.)

Lieut. Col. William Sinclair, 5th Art., is assigned to station at Alcatraz Island, Cal. (S. O. 67, D. C., June 18.)

1st INFANTRY.—COL. WILLIAM R. SHAFTER.

Pvt. Joseph L. Naylor, Co. G, 1st Inf., now at Benicia Barracks, Cal., is transferred to the Hospital Corps as a private. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Leave for one month, to take effect on or about July 1, 1896, is granted 2d Lieut. William M. Crofton, 1st Inf. (H. Q. A., June 23.)

2d INFANTRY.—COL. JOHN C. BATES.

The seven days' leave granted Col. John C. Bates, 2d Inf., is extended five days. (S. O. 64, D. C., June 18.)

Under recent orders, H. Q.'s and A. E. F. and H go to Fort Keogh; Lieut. Col. Wherry and B and C to Fort Harrison; and D and G to Fort Yates.

3d INFANTRY.—COL. JOHN H. PAGE.

The 3d Inf., under Col. J. H. Page, arrived at Lake City this week and went into camp with the Minnesota National Guard.

5th INFANTRY.—COL. WILLIAM L. KELLOGG.

The leave granted Capt. William H. C. Bowen, 5th Inf., is extended two months. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Leave for seven days is granted Lieut. W. H. Chatfield, Adj. 5th Inf. (Fort McPherson, June 22.)

6th INFANTRY.—COL. MELVILLE A. COCHRAN.

Leave for two months, to take effect June 22, 1896, is granted 1st Lieut. Charles Byrne, 6th Inf. (H. Q. A., June 20.)

1st Lieut. Charles Byrne, 6th Inf., will be relieved from duty in the Adjutant General's Office, Aug. 22, 1896, and will join his company. (H. Q. A., June 20.)

Pvt. M. Farkas, H, 6th Inf., has been appointed Corporal.

Leave for three days is granted Lieut. S. J. B. Schindel, 6th Inf. (Fort Thomas, June 18.)

9th INFANTRY.—COL. WILLIAM J. LISTER.

Pvt. Edward Donnelly, C, 9th Inf., died at Madison Barracks, June 20, and was buried June 21 with military honors.

Lieut. Thos. F. Dwyer, 9th Inf., is relieved from camp duty with Co. F. (Madison Bks., June 25.)

11th INFANTRY.—COL. ISAAC D. DE RUSSY.

2d Lieut. Milton L. McGrew, 11th Inf., is transferred from Company I to Company H of that regiment. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

The following transfers in the 11th Infantry are made: 2d Lieut. Edward A. Shuttleworth, from Company E to Company C; 2d Lieut. John W. L. Phillips, from Company C to Company E. (H. Q. A., June 22.)

Co. E (Buchanan's), and Co. G (Brown's), 11th Inf., now at Whipple Barracks, A. T., are relieved from duty in the Department of Colorado, and will proceed to the new post at Little Rock, Ark., and take station. The movement will be made as soon as practicable and will commence during the month of June. (S. O. 49, D. C., June 19.)

12th INFANTRY.—COL. JOHN N. ANDREWS.

In Company B, 12th Infantry, on June 19 Corp. Frederick G. Ehrlich was reduced to the grade of a private soldier, at his own request, and in Company C, on the same date, Corp. John Dambly was promoted Sergeant, vice Chandler, discharged, and Pvt. James Walsh, Corporal, vice Dambly, promoted.

The following promotion and appointment was, on June 21, made in Co. B, 12th Inf.: Corp. Henry F. Clark, to be Sergeant, vice Sheridan, discharged. Lance Corp. Thomas Sculley, to be Corporal, vice Clark, promoted.

Artificer John Brennan, Co. C, 12th Inf., was accidentally shot and killed while acting as marker at the Fort Niagara rifle range, on June 19. A board was at once convened to investigate the circumstances. The funeral took place with military honors June 20.

13th INFANTRY.—COL. ALFRED T. SMITH.

The Youngstown "News" says: "Company G, 13th Infantry, of Fort Porter, arrived at Fort Niagara June 17, where they went into camp for one month, during which time they will be engaged in performing the required amount of small arm practice on this excellent rifle range. The company contains about sixty-five members, and is a noble looking lot of men. They are in command of Capt. Rogers and Lieut. William Newman. The men left Fort Porter early June 15 and enjoyed their march to this place."

Sergt. N. P. Lundgren, Co. B, 13th Inf., is transferred to Company A, and detached for duty with the regiment band. (Fort Niagara, June 19.)

Corp. M. Hennessey, B, 13th Inf., has been promoted Sergeant, and Pvt. J. F. Whitehead, E, appointed Corporal.

Sergts. I. Arnesen, F, and M. Hennessey, B, are detailed Overseers of Prisoners. (Fort Columbus, June 24.)

Lance Corp. W. E. Caston, E, 13th Inf., has been appointed Corporal.

15th INFANTRY.—COL. ROBT. E. A. CROFTON.

The extension of leave granted Capt. Edward S. Chapin, 15th Inf., is further extended one month. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

17th INFANTRY.—COL. JOHN S. POLAND.

Leave for seven days is granted Capt. L. M. O'Brien, 17th Inf. (Columbus Barracks, June 18.)

During the absence of Sergt. Maj. J. E. Wilson, 17th Inf., Corp. E. S. Collins, Co. B, will act as Sergeant Major. (Columbus Barracks, June 16.)

Lance Corp. W. T. Bates, G, 17th Inf., has been appointed Corporal.

Sergt. Wesley Bough, D, 17th Inf., will proceed to

De Graff, O., to conduct a soldier to the post. (Columbus Barracks, June 20.)

Leave until July 31, 1896, is granted 1st Lieut. James T. Kerr, 17th Inf. (H. Q. A., June 23.)

Leave for nineteen days, to take effect July 1, is granted to Maj. F. E. Lacey, 17th Inf. (S. O. 145, D. E., June 23.)

Leave for one day is granted to Lieuts. H. R. Perry, 17th Inf. (Columbus Bks., June 22.)

Lieut. L. L. Durfee, 17th Inf., is attached to Co. C, (Columbus Bks., June 22.)

Lieut. R. W. Dowdy, Q. M. 17th Inf., is detailed in case before G. C. M. (Columbus Bks., June 22.)

Leave for seven days is granted Lieut. T. L. Smith, 17th Inf. (Columbus Bks., June 23.)

21st INFANTRY.—COL. HORACE JEWETT.

Leave for five days is granted Lieut. L. H. Nuttman, 21st Inf. (Plattsburg Barracks, June 17.)

The leave for fifteen days granted 1st Lieut. E. H. Brooke, 21st Inf., is extended six days. (S. O. 145, D. E., June 23.)

Leave for four days is granted Lieut. L. M. Nuttman, 21st Inf. (Plattsburg Bks., June 23.)

Lieuts. L. J. Hearn, Q. M., and R. H. Van Deman, 21st Inf., will proceed to Crown Point, N. Y., to select camp for troops, etc. (Plattsburg Bks., June 23.)

22d INFANTRY.—COL. JAMES S. CASEY.

The following promotions were on June 20 made in company C, 22d Regiment: Corp. Richard Maney, to be sergeant, vice Kelly, retired; Lance Corp. Adam Coski, to be Corporal, vice Maney, promoted.

23d INFANTRY.—COL. SAMUEL OVENSHERE.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of three months, is granted 2d Lieut. Hollis C. Clark, 23d Inf. (S. O. 71, D. T., June 20.)

During the absence on leave of 2d Lieut. Hollis C. Clark, 23d Inf., from Fort Ringgold, Tex., 1st Lieut. Stephen O'Connor, 23d Inf., is assigned to the command of the detachment of Seminole-Negro Indian Scouts stationed at that post. (S. O. 71, D. T., June 20.)

RETIREMENT OF ENLISTED MEN.

The following named enlisted men, now at the stations designated after their respective names, are, upon their application, placed upon the retired list: Sergt. Henry Newman, Bat. H, 2d Art., Fort Schuyler, N. Y.; Corp. Maurice Kane, Co. G, 12th Inf., Fort Niobrara, Neb.; Corp. John Herrick, Detachment Army Service Co., Q. M. Dept., West Point, N. Y.; Artificer Patrick Mahue, Co. A, 9th Inf., Madison Barracks, N. Y. (H. Q. A., June 20.)

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Leave for one month, to take effect on or about July 1, 1896, is granted the following named officers: 2d Lieut. Frank D. Webster, 6th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Paul A. Hoff, 3d Inf.; 2d Lieut. Vernon A. Caldwell, 25th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Joseph Frazier, 19th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Guy H. Smith, 4th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Harrison J. Price, 24th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Powell Clayton, Jr., 5th Cav.; 2d Lieut. George W. Kirkpatrick, 8th Cav.; 2d Lieut. George McD. Weeks, 15th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Robert W. Mearns, 20th Inf. (H. Q. A., June 18.)

Cadet Frederick W. Van Dwyne, U. S. M. A., is granted leave on surg.'s cert. until Aug 28, 1896. (H. Q. A., June 23.)

ARMY BOARDS.

The board of officers convened at Fort Leavenworth, Mo., by Par. 2, S. O. 260, Nov. 6, 1895, H. Q. A., for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion, is dissolved. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

A board of officers is appointed to meet at the call of the president thereof, at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion. Detail for the board: Lieut. Col. Loyd Benton, 20th Inf.; Lieut. Col. Henry Carroll, 6th Cav.; Capt. Calvin De Witt, Surg.; Capt. William H. Carter, 1st Cav.; Capt. William F. Lippitt, Jr., Asst. Surg.; 1st Lt. Rowland G. Hill, 20th Inf., recorder. Capt. James Huns, 20th Inf., is detailed as a member of the board of service during the examination of infantry officers.

As vice Capt. Carter, who will act as a member of the board for all other examinations. The following officers will report before the above board at such times as they may be required for examination as to their fitness for promotion: 1st Lieut. Joseph T. Dickman, 1st Cav.; 1st Lieut. Henry J. Goldman, 5th Cav.; 1st Lt. Edward Chynoweth, 17th Inf.; 1st Lieut. William Abercrombie, 2d Inf.; 1st Lieut. Zarah W. Torrey, 6th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Edward O. C. Ord, 2d Inf. (H. Q. A., June 19.)

Boards of officers as named are appointed to meet at several stations designated, for the purpose of selecting sites for the location of the Lewis range finders, viz., Fort Adams, R. I.; Col. Richard Loder, 2d Art.; Maj. W. Lockwood, C. E., and Capt. Frank E. Hobbs, Adjt., at Fort Monroe, Va.; Col. Royal T. Frank, 1st Cav.; Col. Peter C. Hains, C. E., and Lieut. Col. William Hays, Ord. Dept., at the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; Col. William M. Graham, 5th Art.; Col. Charles R. C. E., and 1st Lieut. Ormond M. Lassak, Ord. Dept. (H. Q. A., June 18.)

COURTS MARTIAL.

At Fort Yellowstone, Wyo., June 22, 1896. Detail: 1st Lieut. George S. Anderson, 6th Cav.; Capt. George L. M. 6th Cav.; Capt. Alfred E. Bradley, Med. Dept.; 1st Lieut. Robert R. Stevens, Q. M. Dept.; 1st Lieut. John Nance, 6th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Samuel Hof, 6th Cav.; Lieut. Elmer Lindsley, 6th Cav., Judge Advocate. (H. Q. A., June 12.)

G. C. M. is appointed to meet at Fort Bliss, Tex., June 22. Detail: Capt. Jacob A. Augur, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Charles McClure, 18th Inf.; 1st Lieut. J. Harry M. 18th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Fielder M. M. Beall, Adjt., 18th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Nathaniel F. McClure, 5th Cav.; Lieut. Frederic D. Evans, 18th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Walter K. McBroom, 18th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Murray Baldwin, 18th Inf., Judge Advocate. (S. O. 69, D. T., June 27.)

At Fort Niagara, N. Y. Detail: Capt. J. C. Harrison, C. M., Fort Niagara. Detail: Capt. J. C. Harrison, Lieuts. J. H. Parker, L. H. Bash and P. C. B. 13th Inf. (Fort Niagara, June 19.)

At Plattsburg Barracks, June 26, Detail: Capt. Stephen P. Jocelyn, William H. Boyle, Ebenezer W. Stone, 1st Lieut. H. E. Elstein, Joseph W. Duncan, Charles Williams, Francis E. Eltonhead; 1st Lieut. Charles Bonesteel, Solomon E. Sparrow, John S. Parke, Jr., 1st Lieut. L. Palmer; 2d Lieut. Edmund L. Butts, 1st Lieut. S. Upton, 21st Inf.; and 1st Lieut. Harry L. 21st Inf., J. A. (S. O. 145, D. E., June 23.)

The available command of 9th Infantry at Madison Barracks, N. Y., will attend, at Oswego, N. Y., on July 1, 1896, the celebration of the Centennial of the Evacuation of Fort Ontario by the British troops. (S. O. 142, D. E., June 19.)

LATE ARMY ORDERS.

Under orders issued to Commanding Officer Dept. Dakota, Col. J. C. Bates and Maj. J. H. Smith, with band and Co.'s A, E, F and H, 2d Inf., will take station at Fort Keogh, which will be headquarters of command. Lieut. Col. W. M. Wherry, with Co.'s B and C will be stationed at Harrison; Co.'s D and L, at Yates.

Capt. Frank Baker, Ord. Dept., from Watervliet to Fitchburg, Mass., on temporary duty. Leave for four months is granted Capt. O. W. Pollock, 23d Inf., and Capt. Lewis Smith, 3d Art. (H. Q. A., June 25.)

ADDRESSES OF RECENT GRADUATES.

The present addresses of the recent graduates from the U. S. Military Academy, now 2d Lieutenants, are as follows:

E. R. Stuart, Arnettsville, W. Va.; G. M. Hoffman, 414 N. Franklin street, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; H. F. Jackson, 1304 Pennsylvania street, Kansas City, Mo.; R. E. Callan, Knoxville, Tenn.; W. H. Tachappat, Beallsville, O.; S. V. McClure, Danville, Pa.; W. S. Guignard, Columbia, S. C.; E. P. Jervey, Jr., 6 Legare street, Charleston, S. C.; Edwin Landon, Monroe, Mich.; LeRoy Ettinge, 269 Washington avenue, Kingston, N. Y.; C. H. McNeil, Oxford, N. Y.; J. P. Tracy, 1508 Q street, Washington, D. C.; John B. Christian, California, Mo.; Lloyd England, 809 Rock street, Little Rock, Ark.; T. F. Howard, Boerne, Tex.; J. W. Hinkley, Jr., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; G. W. Moses, Leetonia, Ohio; Alga P. Berry, Beverly, Kan.; P. M. Kessler, 992 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.; N. D. Kirkpatrick, Monmouth, Va.; Lucian Stacy, South Hiram, Me.; Chas. E. Stodter, Nelson, Ohio; J. Hagood, Jr., 1425 Marion street, Columbia, S. C.; H. Y. Grubbs, Shelby City, Ky.; A. M. Miller, Jr., Tarrytown, N. Y.; C. E. Hampton, Columbus, O.; P. Reisinger, Meadville, Pa.; C. B. Drake, Old Forge, Pa.; C. McK. Salzman, Des Moines, Iowa; G. T. Patterson, North Platte, Neb.; J. Morrison, Jr., Hedrick, Iowa; F. K. Ferguson, Dixon Springs, Tenn.; H. O. Willard, 732 Mt. Vernon avenue, Columbus, Ohio; H. Tapes, Raymore, Mo.; L. R. Holbrook, Northfield, Minn.; G. H. Shelton, Seymour, Conn.; J. P. Wade, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.; I. Newell, Milledgeville, Ga.; R. M. Brookfield, care H. Gaze & Sons, 142 Strand, London, England; E. B. Heiberger, La Crosse, Wis.; S. M. Kochersperger, 173 N. Seventh street, Philadelphia, Pa.; O. W. Bell, Gobles, Mich.; A. G. Lott, Abilene, Kan.; F. H. Whitman, Lyndon, Kan.; F. G. Smith, Tyrone, Pa.; C. N. Purdy, Winchester, Ind.; M. B. Stewart, Glens Falls, N. Y.; F. W. Lewis, 531 Ferry street, Buffalo, N. Y.; E. L. King, Bridgewater, Mass.; C. E. Russell, Comanche, Tex.; D. E. Nolan, Akron, N. Y.; J. N. Pickering, Beebe, Ark.; W. A. Burnside, Newark, O.; D. N. Hood, Caracas, Venezuela, S. A.; R. J. Burt, care P. H. Burt, Walnut street, Cincinnati, O.; S. F. Dallam, 1700 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.; W. Kelly, Jr., Isabel, Tex.; R. C. Langdon, 20 Sidney place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; G. T. Summerlin, Rayville, La.; H. H. Tebbetts, Haverhill, Mass.; C. T. Boyd, Morning Sun, Iowa; T. A. Wansboro, 157 Canal street, Albany, N. Y.; H. V. Evans, Fayette, Mo.; A. R. Kervin, 315 West Eighty-eighth street, New York City; H. C. Whitehead, Hemphill, Tex.; G. S. Goodale, Wakefield, Mass.; W. D. Chitty, Marshall, Mo.; B. M. Hartshorne, Jr., Middletown, N. J.; F. C. Bolles, Normal, Ill.; A. E. Kennington, 1449 S street, Washington, D. C.; Lanning Parsons, Bruckhaven, O.; E. P. Orton, Fulton, Ark.; and R. B. Powers, Owensboro, Ky.

WEST POINT.

Of the sixty candidates who reported for examination on June 13, thirty successfully passed both the mental and physical examinations. Of this number, one resigned, leaving twenty-nine to join the seventy-nine successful March candidates, thus making the whole number of successful candidates 108. The following names, in addition to those published last week, page 765, complete the list:

Albery, Herman William, Ohio; Allen, Ernest Edwin, Missouri.

Barco, Thomas Albert, Ohio; Bolton, Jesse Smithson, Tennessee; Brown, Franklin Goss, Kansas.

Craighead, Walter Bailey, Louisiana; Currie, Dennis Hadley, Texas; Dennis, Gordon Alexander, Louisiana.

Gillmore, William Eugene, Ohio; Gilmore, Harry Frederick, Wisconsin; Glade, Herman, Indiana; Goethe, James, South Carolina.

Harris, Carl Joseph, Missouri; Harvey, Charles Godfrey, Missouri; Henry, Robert Edward, New York; Hurt, Marshall Hill, Alabama.

Joseph, Irving Jacob, New York; Kay, Joseph Cornelius, New Jersey; Lane, Ferny George, Iowa.

McVicker, James Rufus, Iowa; Morrisett, Allen Floyd, Virginia; Mumma, Morton Claire (Alternate), Ohio.

Peace, Willis Grandy, North Carolina; Roth, Robert Frank, Pennsylvania.

Simmons, William Phelps, Kentucky; Slattery, John Randolph, Ohio; Solicelo, Louis Jr., New York; Stoeke, William Provines, Ohio; Sullivan, John Patrick, Louisiana.

Thompson, Arthur Clarence, Pennsylvania; Van Der Veer, Thomas Milliken, Ohio; Whitlock, Frank Outhouse, Minnesota.

The new cadets are drilled daily at 6:50, 10:20 and 4:20. Cadet Lieut. Smither has been placed in charge of the new cadets.

Cards have been received at the post announcing the marriage of Mr. Edward S. Denton, of West Point, to Miss Helen Holcombe, daughter of the Rev. Theodore I. Holcombe. The marriage took place at Trinity Church, New York, on Tuesday, June 23. Mr. and Mrs. Denton will be at home at Fort Constitution, where Mr. Denton is erecting a summer home, on Thursdays in September.

Among the recent graduates who have visited the Point within the past week have been the following: Graduates F. G. Smith, Powers, Kennington, Patterson, Hagood, Hinkley, Saltzman and Landon. The new cadets are drilled daily at 6:50, 10:20 and 4:20. Cadet Lieut. Smither has been placed in charge of the new cadets.

Company D, 13th Infantry, arrived at the post on Wednesday, June 17, by the steamer Gen. Meigs. The company, which is under the command of Capt. George K. Cecil, with Lieuts. James B. Goe and Hugh D. Wise, is encamped near the Sinclair Pond. After a week's target practice at the range, Company D will be relieved by another company of the same regiment.

Col. Mills has been granted one month's leave, and Capt. Parker is acting commandant.

A very enjoyable cadet tea was given by Mrs. Spurgin last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Spurgin was assisted by her niece, Miss Hare.

Gen. Miles has submitted an extensive programme for practice marches after July 1, when the new transportation fund becomes available. It is the intention to consolidate the commands of posts in close proximity in combined maneuvers.

FORT MONROE, VA.

2d Lieut. J. T. Martin, 4th Art., son-in-law of Col. and Mrs. Frank, is at the post with Mrs. Martin, spending the summer vacation from the University of Ohio, Columbus, where he has been stationed during the past year.

A board of officers has commenced at the post, consisting of Col. R. T. Frank, 1st Art., commandant; Col. P. C. Hains, C. E., and Lieut. Col. William A. Marye, Ord. Dept., commanding Fort Monroe Arsenal, to designate the location for the new Lewis range and position finder, about to be installed at the post. This range finder is one of three different patterns, constructed by direction of the Board of Ordnance and Fortifications, and has a perpendicular base from 30 to 100 feet. It is proposed to use it, if it can be put in position in time, in connection with the summer's artillery practice with the school batteries.

Information has been received at the post of the proposed shipment, by the Ordnance Department, of one new disappearing carriage for a 10-inch breechloading rifle, and three rifles of this caliber. There are three emplacements now ready for guns of this size, and as soon as carriages can be provided they will be sent, and then the two very strong redoubts will be completed and the post will have three guns equal in power and range to any of their size in the world.

The Engineer Department has made nearly all its arrangements for the construction of a mortar battery at the post. The battery will be located about one mile north of the fort and just in front of the post cemetery, and when completed will mount sixteen 12-inch breechloading rifled mortars. Another battery of the same size will be constructed near Woollyough Spit, on the land just north of the city of Norfolk, and so situated that no vessel coming within fighting distance of Fort Monroe can keep out of range of these two powerful batteries.

The batteries of the 4th Artillery, now in camp here for their summer's artillery practice, are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the powder for practice with the new 8-inch breechloading rifle and 12-inch breechloading mortar. Each battery at the post will be allowed to fire each of these big guns three times. The new sewer system has been completed and turned over to the Government, and so far, with but one or two complaints, it has proven satisfactory.

Orders have been received at the post detailing 1st Lieut. Edward Davis, 3d Art., who for the last five years has been Adjutant of the Artillery School, as Aide-de-Camp to Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, commanding the Army. It will be with many pangs that we are compelled to part with Lieut. Davis and his family, who have, since being stationed here, endeared themselves to everybody at the post. We are glad, though, that Lieut. Davis has received this deserving compliment.

A Bangor, Me., paper says: "A charming wedding took place in Rockland, Me., at the Congregational Church, Tuesday evening, when Ensign Carlton F. Snow, U. S. N., and Miss Anne Francis Rice were married by Rev. Mr. Moore. The wedding was the swiftest held. The decorations were magnificent and costly and excited great admiration. At 7 o'clock the bridal party entered the church. Mr. Snow was accompanied by his best man, Mr. Wm. Pitt Scott, U. S. N., Easton, Pa. The bridesmaids were Miss Mabel Tuller, of Hartford, Conn.; Miss Mabel Snow, of Staten Island, sister of the groom; Miss Jennie Knight, and Miss Jessie Faler, of Rockland. Miss Ellen Rice, the sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Miss Rice wore an exceedingly beautiful gown of white satin, en traine, trimmed with Duchesse appliqué lace and a long tulle veil. She carried a large bouquet of bride roses. The bridesmaids carried large bunches of daisies. The ceremony was the Episcopalian double ring service and was very charming. The bride was given away by her father, Hon. A. S. Rice. The wedding was a yellow and white affair, the colors of Miss Rice's Alma Mater at Farmington, Conn. The dresses and the decorations of daisies and buttercups carried out the idea perfectly. Mr. Snow was garbed in the handsome uniform of the Navy, and looked every inch the gallant officer. After the ceremony at the church a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Hon. and Mrs. A. S. Rice. The bride is one of Rockland's brilliant young ladies and is well known in Bangor, where she has visited many times. Mr. Snow is the son of Comdr. and Mrs. A. S. Snow, and passed his younger days in Rockland. He left that city to enter the Naval Academy at Annapolis, where he was graduated with high honors in 1894. He has since been passing the necessary two years of active service, and a few weeks ago passed his final examinations very brilliantly. The ushers at the wedding were: Mr. Charles Webster, of Stockbridge, Mass., of the U. S. N.; Mr. James D. Lazell, Philadelphia; Mr. E. J. Hunt, of Bangor, and Mr. W. W. Graves, of Rockland."

The Chicago "Inter-Ocean" tells the story of a horse that ran away with President Lincoln in March, 1864, just as he was approaching to review Gen. Butler's command of 40,000 men. There he sat upon that wonderful horse, whose every tendon and muscle was in full play. Imagine if you can the spectacle. The President, dressed as so often described in the "Prince Albert" made for the "other fellow," sitting only on the tops of the shoulders, with trousers and boots to correspond, the latter so loose and wrinkled from service as to scarcely stay on. His stovepipe hat covered the most unkempt hair that ever graced a sacred head. Gen. Butler sought to ride up and lend aid, but to no purpose. His big sorrel was no match for the black charger; the attempt seemed to madden the President's horse. On he came, increasing his speed until he seemed to be flying. The President's hat was gone; his hair streamed in the wind; his square-toed, wrinkled boots stood out in the strained stirrups, while his long, lank arms were convulsed in their vain efforts to control the beast. Hark! that unearthly cheering away down the line! Like a volcano it burst forth and all eyes were in an instant turned. Officers had urged their fatted, clumsy chargers in vain, but here comes our hero. An orderly—a private soldier—bringing up the extreme rear, witnessed the disaster and the futile efforts of the officers near the scene. Lying flat upon his horse's mane, with rowels deeply planted in his flanks, he sped up that bewildered line like a rocket of warning. On, on, he went. Away across the plain, almost beyond our vision, he swept in his course to the side of the President. In an instant he was on his feet, had caught the incorrigible stallion by the bit, and the mad ride was over; the President rescued. Lincoln, by the help of an orderly, rather fell than dismounted to the ground, where he lay exhausted until a carriage was sent to him. I heard Gen. Butler say in after time that his negro hostler was at fault in the matter. "Cuffy," it seems, had, during the winter, been running "snap" races with that horse without the General's knowledge. So when the General sought to ride him it was the signal for more speed.

Lieut. B. P. Schenck, 9th Inf., has been reported for retirement for disability by the board before which he was ordered.

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ume of their series of monographs on the "Questions of
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tem of arbitration "will prove as feasible and it is de-
sirable." The chief strength of his argument lies in his
statement that if arbitration fails the result can be no
worse than war, and all agree that it is wise to avoid
this when we can.

Capt. F. Hoenig, in his "Tactics of the Future," de-
scribes a curious incident that occurred when the 38th
Brigade had been formed up southwest of Mars-la-Tour.
The chaplains, it appears, addressed the troops before
battle. The Protestant chaplain, Aebert, he describes
as being so affected, choosing his expressions so unskill-
fully, and speaking to the troops in such a lugubrious
tone, that little good, he thinks, could have come from
such "spiritual comfort;" and he has come to the con-
clusion, in consequence, that if a chaplain cannot have
at the same time the feelings of a soldier, he does more
harm than good on such occasions, and in most cases it
is best to keep chaplains away from the troops. "While
he was speaking, however," says the author, "a man
was seen galloping wildly in a bee-line from Tronville.
It was the Roman Catholic Chaplain Stuckmann. After
speaking a few words to Col. von Cranach (57th), com-
manding the first line, he raised himself in his stirrups
and, addressing the troops, said: 'Comrades, the 3d
Corps is hard pressed. It will be for you to extricate it.
Attack the enemy with vigor, and God will be with you.
Amen!' This, he says, had some life in it, and acted
like magic.

The Commander in Chief of the British Army, Lord
Wolsley, in a recent speech on behalf of the Royal
Cambridge Asylum for Soldiers' Widows, remarked:
"Ours is apparently the poorest of nations, to judge
from the amount subscribed to keep the widows of its
distinguished soldiers out of the workhouse." Referring
to this the "Admiralty and Horse Guards Gazette" says:
"They (many of the widows) have no other refuge than
the workhouse, which is too often the only refuge of the
soldier himself when his service is over. And yet we are
not an uncharitable people. We are rather prodigal in
our charity than otherwise, and it is no national parsim-
ony that makes us exercise this grudging economy
towards the veterans of our Service and the widows and
children that the dying soldiers leave. Surely it is the
poorest of all economies." It is the sturdy and persistent
beggar who opens the doors of indiscriminating charity,
rather than the self-respecting poor who suffer in silence.

The Blue Book of American Shipping, recently pub-
lished by the "Marine Review," Cleveland, O., is a
handsome volume of 325 pages. It combines in compact
form all available information of the shipping and ship-
building business of the great lakes, giving cost of operat-
ing lake steamers, and their performance in a mechanical
line. It also contains over 7,500 names of shipowners
and builders, shipmasters and engineers, and the list of
owners has been so classified that 600 names include the
owners of 3,000 of the largest freight and passenger
vessels of the United States. Captains of lake steamers
will find some sixteen pages of valuable information in

the volume. One feature is the width of openings in
drawbridges. Some of the new 48-foot beam steel car-
riers will not go through many of the bridges in dif-
ferent lake ports. In addition to the three chromotype
inserts, there are over 40 pages of illustrations, showing
modern lake steamers, dock equipment, etc.

The New York "Tribune" describes at great length a
controversy said to have originated between the War
Department and Auditor T. Stobo Farrow. It says:
"In a communication to the Secretary of War he said
that telegraphic vouchers forwarded to his office for au-
diting lacked certain evidence necessary to their passage.
This evidence, he said, could only be supplied by copies of
the telegrams themselves. This brought about consterna-
tion at the War Department. What! Put into the hands
of outsiders important, confidential telegrams sent out
and received by Secretary Lamont? Endanger the se-
crets of the War Department to publicity in grave mili-
tary questions; possibly other questions—say of a po-
litical nature? Never! And the official heel was brought
down on the imported Turkish rug on the floor of the
Secretary's office with defiance. The heel meant busi-
ness, and was kept on the rug with firmness for some
time. T. Stobo returned to the charge, however, and
again demanded that copies of the telegrams of the War
Department be delivered to him. No other Department
files copies of official telegrams with its vouchers. Thus
far the Secretary has not carried out T. Stobo's orders.
It is hinted here that he will not, and that if T. Stobo
insists on his ruling being observed, and holds up Army
vouchers pending compliance, the President's attention
may be called to the Treasury's 'bolter' against Lamont's
platform."

It is understood that orders will shortly be issued by
the Navy Department directing the return of the cruise
Minneapolis to home waters. The Minneapolis now
carries the flag of Rear Adml. Selfridge, Commander
in-Chief of the European squadron, and is returning
south from Moscow, where the Admiral and the officers
of his staff and of the triple screw flyer, witness-
ing the coronation of the Czar. The Minneapolis will join
the San Francisco, which has been the flagship of the
squadron, and the Admiral will transfer his flag to the
vessel. The short time men now on board the San
Francisco will be transferred to the Minneapolis, which
will return to the United States. It is doubtful if the
authorities would have ordered her home had it not
been for the condition of the bottom of the ship. In-
vestigation shows that her bottom is pitted, and a plate
cast of the pits has been received at the Department.
The Norfolk yard has been called to account, the ship
having received her paint there upon her departure for
the European station. When the investigation has been
concluded, Secretary Herbert may possibly act further
in the matter.

The merchants of the United States interested in ex-
trade have formed themselves into an association for the
purpose of visiting the markets of South America, and
have asked President Cleveland and Secretary Herber-
to assign a warship to carry them to those ports where
they are desirous of visiting. The naval authorities
while desirous of acceding to this request, fearing that
they cannot spare, at this time, a ship from the North
Atlantic squadron, proposed the Southampton course
taken, meeting the South Atlantic squadron flagship
Lancaster at one of the points en route. The Lancaster
could then complete the tour with the merchants. The
association have finally concluded that there would be
room for them on a man-of-war and have withdrawn
their request.

An inspector sent by the London "Times" to Cuba
dwells upon the singular ignorance of the Spanish Gen-
erals. Their military tactics are faulty; they seem to
have no knowledge of modern strategy; they have not
attempted to make any concerted movement; their po-
lity has always been that of weakness; they have not
been able to draw the insurgents into a pitched battle,
and, though they have an army which is five times
stronger numerically than that of the insurgents, they
have all along stood on the defensive. They have utterly
failed to understand or to cope with the situation, and
the English inspector, in whose view their conduct is
"little short of madness."

As Gen. Weyler is reported to be confident that he can
suppress the insurrection by another year, a Madrid dis-
patch of June 23 reports that an addition to the 40,000
troops which these dispatches have heretofore announced
would be sent to Cuba in September, 40,000 will be
dispatched in October, and 20,000 more before January.

The Colt machine gun, representing the lot ordered
some months ago by the Navy Department, has reached
the Indian Head Proving Grounds, and upon the arrival
of the cartridges from the Union Metallic Company next
week, will be put through an exhaustive test. The
American Ordnance Company has not yet informed the
Department as to what its intentions are with regard
to submitting any of its automatic guns for trial
competition with the Colt gun for further orders, but
is expected that such submission will be made.

At the cavalry maneuvers which took place June 15
the Tempelhof Field in presence of the Emperor, the
rassiers rode into a morass, and a number of them were
thrown from their saddles and extricated from the morass
with great difficulty. Two men were killed, and many
others were wounded by their own or their companions' lances.

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TO INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ARMY.

During the closing days of this session of Congress a bill was introduced (H. R., 9361), of more than ordinary interest to the regular service. It is a bill to increase the efficiency of the regular Army and to localize the recruiting of regiments in time of war. It is generally supposed that in case of war our skeleton Army will in some way be filled up and made effective for active service. But not only has no way been hitherto provided for during this, but the experience of the war of 1861-5 has shown that under such conditions as now exist the Army, on the outbreak of war, instead of being increased, would dwindle away. When the rebellion broke out a bounty was offered to men enlisting in the service of the United States, but in consequence of the fact that the volunteers for the regiments raised by a State received not only this bounty, but also a State bounty, recruits for the regular Army were difficult to obtain, and the strength of the regiments fell away until some of them became barely larger than a respectable company.

The enactment of H. R., No. 9361, will, it is believed, prevent the recurrence of such a state of affairs.

By it the President has power, on the outbreak of war, to increase the enlisted strength of companies of infantry or artillery to 200 men and of troops of cavalry to 150 men. Each regiment during war is recruited in a particular State, designated by the President, and bears the name of that State on its flag in the words, "Recruited in —." Thus the active aid and assistance of the States will be procured, in the work of keeping these regiments up to war strength. Finally the President is authorized to so fix the bounty in each regiment as to ensure that it shall be equal to the bounty paid other troops enlisted in that State. The tendency to put all recruits in State regiments is offset by the superior economy to the State that would be found in sending as large a part of its quota as possible to the regular regiments.

This scheme gives the regular Army a war strength of 85,000 men and officers. If the new recruits are sent in batches, say, fifty to a company, at a time, with a few weeks' interval between batches, they will be readily assimilated. Companies of over 200 men are not found too large in other services. They will not be too large to be handled by the efficient officers of the regular Army.

In the unsettled condition of the foreign affairs of this republic, it is hoped that this bill will be passed at the next session of Congress and passed quickly. It affects no scheme of reorganization or of promotion. It is strictly a war measure. It is well at least to have it on the records of Congress.

CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION.

The Secretary of War in a recent order announces the classification of the officers or employees in or under the War Department, who are included within the provisions of the Civil Service law and rules. Class A embraces all receiving a salary or compensation less than \$720 a year; B, \$720 to \$840; C, \$840 to \$900; D, \$900 to \$1,000; E, \$1,000 to \$1,200. Class 1, \$1,200 to \$1,400 per annum; Class 2, \$1,400 to \$1,600; Class 3, \$1,600 to \$1,800; Class 4, \$1,800 to \$2,000; Class 5, \$2,000 to \$2,500; Class 6, \$2,500 or more. Provision is made in the order that this classification shall not include persons appointed to an office by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, nor persons employed as mere laborers or workmen; but all positions whose occupants are designated as laborers or workmen and who were prior to May 6, 1896, and are now, regularly assigned to work of the same grade as that performed by classified employees, shall be included within this classification. Hereafter no person who is appointed as a laborer or workman, without examination under the Civil Service rules, will be assigned to work of the same grade as that performed by classified employees. No person shall be

admitted into any place not excepted from examination by the Civil Service Rules, in any of the classes above designated, until he shall have passed an appropriate examination prepared by the U. S. Civil Service Commission and his eligibility has been certified to the War Department by said Commission.

President Cleveland's civil service reform is causing trouble to the officers of the Pay and Quartermaster's Department of the Army and Pay Corps of the Navy. To rectify the matter, the President is expected to issue a modification of the order, which will also include the case of Navy Yard employees, referred to in the "Journal" of last week. The War Department has received from Paymaster Gen. Stanton a communication stating that his corps will be seriously embarrassed if the civil service is allowed to govern the appointment of clerks to Paymasters in the field. Gen. Stanton points out that such practice will be in direct opposition to the sixty-third article of war, which prescribes that all retainers of the Army in the field shall be subject to the rules and articles of war. In addition Gen. Stanton has stated that the Pay Officers, having charge of large amounts of Government money and being responsible for it, should be permitted to employ men in whom they have the utmost confidence. The civil service would appoint under their own rules men who might not be satisfactory to the Pay Officers. The Department now has his communication under consideration.

As the Pay Department is affected, so is the Quartermaster's Department and Pay Corps of the Navy. Secretary Lamont is expected to lay Gen. Stanton's communication before the President without loss of time, as well as other statements in regard to the Quartermaster's Department. Secretary Herbert has already spoken to the President of the necessity of modifying his civil service order in order to make it fit the conditions existing in the naval service.

STRENGTHENING OUR NEW NAVY.

Secretary Herbert is expected to begin his summer tour of inspection of the Atlantic coast naval stations about the middle of next month. It is understood that he will, when he starts on his trip, carry out the plan he followed last year when during the cruise he selected the names for the several unchristened vessels under construction. There are a large number of names for vessels on file at the Department and these will be collected and considered by the Secretary while on board the Dolphin. It is understood to be the purpose of the Secretary to name the battleships authorized at this session as soon as the contracts are let, a precedent for this having been established by him in the case of the battleship Kentucky. It is stated at the Navy Department that it is much more sensible to name the ships as soon as their contracts are let than to number them. The latter plan is apt to breed confusion, while the conferring of names upon the vessels tells to the naval man under the system of naming, battleships for States, cruisers for cities, gunboats for towns, and torpedo boats for historical men, just what class they belong to and other particulars regarding their several features. In addition to selecting the names for the battleships, the Secretary will probably adopt those he intends for the gunboats and torpedo boats to be launched the latter part of this summer and fall.

An effort was made by Chief Naval Constr. Hichborn, the early part of the week, to reduce, in the proposed contracts for the battleships, the limit of time for their construction. For the Kearsarge and Kentucky, and for battleships of the Indiana class, the contracts called for their completion in three years. The Chief Naval Constructor is satisfied that this time could be reduced and suggested a lesser period. The Secretary, however, thought that three years were required in order to secure the best workmanship, and decided to retain this as the contract time limit. The fact that battleships of heavy displacement can be built in this country in such a comparatively short space of time, as indicated by the statements of shipbuilders, and their willingness to take contracts, is an evidence of the completeness of some of the plants established in the United States.

The Secretary has directed Lieuts. A. A. Ackerman, Kossuth Niles and Karl Rohrer to make an investigation in accordance with a provision contained in the last Naval Appropriation law directing the Department to inquire into the subject of prices paid for armor plate and to make report to Congress on the 1st of January next. Lieut. Ackerman is stationed on the Pacific Slope and was summoned by wire to Washington by the Secretary. It was not until his arrival here that he learned of the reason for his orders. Lieut. Niles is attached to the Newark as executive officer and had intended going out on a practice cruise with that vessel this week. His plans were knocked awry, however, by telegraphic orders to go to Washington, where he learned what was required of him. Lieuts. Ackerman and Niles, with Capt. Sampson, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, will go into the whole question of armor plate. It is evidently the purpose of the Secretary to make a most comprehensive report on the subject to Congress, giving the cost of armor per ton in the several thicknesses in which it is employed. For the three battleships authorized at the last session, about 9,000 tons of armor will be required. It is understood to be the purpose of the Secretary to make up a table showing the several thicknesses of the armor required for the ships, with the cost, and compare the items with those in foreign contracts. In addition it is expected that attention will be called to the superiority of American armor and the expense attending its manufacture as justification for the prices which the Government has paid in the past. Under the present plans of the Department the armor for the proposed

battleships is to be of the same character and thickness of the protection designed for the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, which has already been contracted for. No contracts, however, will be issued until after Congress has passed upon the question of the price the Government ought to pay for armor for its men-of-war, notwithstanding that the law, as interpreted by the Department experts, only requires the Secretary to refrain from making contracts until after the report of the investigation is submitted on the first of the New Year.

In his report on the trial trip of the Oregon, referred to last week, Asst. Naval Constr. Snow states that the hydraulic steering gear is of ample strength and rapidity of movement. At a speed of fifteen knots, the helm was put from hard astern to hard aport in thirty-five seconds, and from hard aport to hard a starboard in forty-two seconds. Exhaustive tests of the turrets were also made. The starboard after 8-inch turret and the forward 8-inch turret turned a complete revolution in thirty-two seconds. The port 8-inch turret turned in thirty-four seconds. It took the after 13-inch turret one minute and twenty seconds to turn and the forward 13-inch turret two minutes and thirty seconds. When the report is considered by Chief Naval Constr. Hichborn and Engr-in-Chief Melville, and is approved by Secretary Herbert, the acceptance preliminarily of the battleship will be ordered and the payment to her builders of a premium of \$175,000. Mr. Snow states that it appears from the contractor's letter of May 21 that eight plates, starboard and port of the protective deck amidships, are but 1½ inches in thickness, with quarter-inch filling plates beneath; whereas the specifications require these plates to be in a single thickness of 1½ inches. He states that the maneuvering qualities of the vessel are excellent. The maximum roll observed was about ten degrees while crossing the bar at San Francisco. The average roll was from four to five degrees either way. The recovery from the roll was decided, but easy. In general, the ship was remarkably steady and free from rolling. Pitching was much more prevalent than rolling and more marked, but withal quite easy.

Although the monitor Puritan will not be completed before September, under the orders issued last week the Navy Department is taking steps to place her in commission as soon as she is ready for service. Chief Engr. John L. D. Borthwick has been ordered to duty in connection with the Puritan. Under the instructions of the Department he will see that her machinery is in good condition so that she can steam to sea when her officers and men are aboard. The Department is making up the detail of officers for this ship and is collecting a crew for her. In addition to gathering men for the Puritan, enlistments are being made for the battleship Massachusetts, which has a "short" crew; the battleship Oregon; the battleship Texas, and the three gunboats under construction at the Newport News Shipbuilding Works. The Texas was to have been completed on the 20th inst. The work, however, was delayed, but will be finished in two or three days. When completed she will be placed in commission. There was some talk at the Department of laying the Amphitrite up in ordinary and transferring her officers and men to the Puritan. There seems to be no intention on the part of the Department to take such action, and as evidence it may be said that the Amphitrite is down to participate in the evolutions mapped out by the Department for Admiral Bunce's squadron, to which she is attached, during the summer.

Foreign experiments show that the only possible enemy of a balloon is the shrapnel shell. Experiments with these shells have been made with balloons at elevations ranging from 200 to 800 metres and at a distance of from 3,000 to 5,000 metres from the firing ground. Out of thirty shrapnel shells the Russian artillerymen put twenty-five balls through a balloon 300 metres high and 3,200 metres from the firing ground. At 5,000 metres from the firing ground the Germans made twenty holes in a balloon 250 metres high out of twenty-six shrapnel shells. But when the airship was 800 metres in the air and the firing distance 5,000 metres only two balls struck it out of sixty-five shells and three balls out of eighty shells during the experiments last year in Austria. The conclusion is that, in order to keep the balloon beyond the reach of dangerous projectiles, it must be kept 5,000 metres from the enemy, and at an altitude of 800 metres, beyond which observations are uncertain. A battery of eight guns was placed at 5,250 metres from the windlass. Firing was begun, but the balloon constantly changed its position. Men in shelter moved the windlass by means of a cable. This obliged the gunners to alter their pointing constantly. They fired eighty shells at it; all that were allowed for the experiment, and when the balloon was hauled down it was found that there were only three insignificant holes in it, which had little or no effect upon its ascending power. Eighty shrapnel shells represented 10,000 balls and pieces of broken shells. From this it would appear that the captive balloon is much less subject to assault than we might suppose. Like the Irishman's horse, it has only two faults: it is hard to catch, and it is good for nothing when caught. As Hoenig shows, it is not to be compared with bold and well-mounted officers.

We regret that Congress failed before it adjourned to pass the bills designed to better the professional and financial standing of that worthy body of men, the pharmacists of the Army and the Navy, but we are in hopes that at the next session, with proper effort, something may be achieved in this direction.

THE LEWIS RANGE FINDER.

The Board of Ordnance and Fortification, on March 26, 1895, received one of the Lewis range finders, and, after a trial, recommended it for adoption, April 13, 1896. In accordance with a later recommendation of Aug. 14, 1895, Lewis range finders were sent for trial to Fort Monroe, Va.; Fort Adams, R. I.; and Fort Winfield Scott, Cal. With them were sent instructions as to their use, based upon a trial made at Sandy Hook Proving Grounds, by a Board of Ordnance officers. These observations and others showed errors of 1½ per cent. or less, with the Lewis range finder, at distances varying from 1,701 yards to 10,210 yards. There were two absolutely correct readings at 1,978 yards, ten errors of one per cent., three of 1½ per cent., and one of 1¼ per cent. These observations were taken on good and bad days alike. The board had under consideration, for test, the Lewis position finder, the Fiske position finder, the Aide-Tireur, and the Weldon range finder, the Unge telemeter, the Nolan range finder, and the Watkins depression range finder. The board was also directed to make a test of the Zalinski depression position finder when the same should be ready.

It was resolved that, in the opinion of this board, the Lewis range finder for vertical bases between 30 and 100 feet in length is well adapted to service; that equal accuracy of results and adaptability to service conditions are to be expected from the two other types of the Lewis range finder for vertical bases between 100 and 200 feet, and 200 and 400 feet in length.

With reference to the Fiske range and position finder, the board reports that it has tested it, and that the instrument has also received further test by Lieut. Harris, executive officer of the board. The results of these tests have not been so satisfactory as to justify the adoption of this instrument for service use in the type presented for test. When ranges and azimuths of the same object have been repeated, the results obtained have differed more than is admissible, and the adjustment of the instrument requires constant watching, and, when necessary, considerable time to effect.

The Lewis range and position finder has two distinct functions, viz., (1) to find the range of a distant object; (2) to indicate its true position with respect to surrounding objects. Both functions may be combined, or either may be performed independently. The base used is the actual height of the axis of the telescope above sea level, and the angles measured are angles of depression. The minimum range measured is 1,200 yards. The maximum range measured is 11,000 yards. It is a single station instrument, requiring but one operator, who, by means of two small cranks, keeps the horizontal wire of the telescope coincident with the water line of the object and at the same time retains the object within the field of view. The movement of the telescope in azimuth is made by a small friction roller rolling around the edge of the circular table, thus securing a very slow motion, or a very rapid one, as desired. The elevating screw, which elevates the eyepiece end of the telescope, is double the lower half, operating the indicating mechanism. The instrument is entirely automatic. There is a correction for rise and fall of the tide, and for different heights above sea level. The same device automatically corrects for the effect of curvature and for normal refraction, while there is also provided a separate device for moving the horizontal wire in a vertical direction for the purpose of making allowance for abnormal refraction.

The tracing pencil of the instrument is carried by a nut which moves along a screw shaft, thus insuring a positive motion in both directions. The nut is made in two parts which are connected by a spring, to prevent "lost motion."

AN OBJECTIONABLE APPELLATION.

To the Editor of the "Army and Navy Journal":

During the past fifty years an objectionable designation has gradually found footing in the service, one which originally was used only exceptionally and for some especial reason, but has now become of almost constant use. I refer to the expression "enlisted men" for soldiers. This designation has a mean and servile sound; it seems to imply a peculiar set of beings, set apart from other kinds of men. It has a very different ring from the short and honorable title, soldier; it recalls to the mind apprentices, bondsmen, men sold for a term of years, and the like. I doubt if any one, officer or soldier, likes it, and I am not sure but what the latter resents it.

The recruit on being sworn in, acknowledges to have voluntarily enlisted as a soldier in the Army of the United States, and then finds that he is, as a rule, an enlisted man and only exceptionally a soldier. It would be logical under the system to speak of officers as "commissioned men." Section 1342, Revised Statutes, given as a preamble to the Articles of War, says: "The word officer shall be understood to designate commissioned officer; the word soldier shall be understood to include non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and privates, and other enlisted men, etc., and yet, apparently without necessity, it uses the two different names in two consecutive articles of war, habit in one case overcoming the instructions laid down in the preamble.

Article 16. Any enlisted man who sells or willfully or through neglect wastes the ammunition, etc.

Article 17. Any soldier who sells or, through neglect, loses or spoils his horse, arms, etc.

If officers in speech, writing and orders would use the shorter and more honorable name soldier, instead of enlisted man, it would tend to the advancement of self-respect and esprit de corps, and would be entirely compatible with law and regulations, which use and recognize both terms.

I have seen the peculiar title enlisted man commented on with wonderment by an English service journal. Let us hear some criticism on these suggestions.

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The 23d Ohio Infantry Volunteers—a regiment which did gallant service during the war—is brought into prominence on account of recent events. Its first Colonel was Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, of the regular Army, who left it June, 1861, on promotion to Brigadier General. Its first Lieutenant Colonel was the eminent Stanley Matthews, who left it in October, 1861, on promotion to Colonel of the 51st Ohio. E. Parker Scammon, a West Point graduate, and of the Topographical Engineers, was one of its Colonels and left on promotion; so was Rutherford B. Hayes, afterwards President of the United States, who also left it in October, 1864, on promotion. Grotius Reed Giddings was one of its Captains and left in May, 1861, on appointment to Major 14th U. S. Inf., afterwards Lieutenant Colonel of the 16th Inf. Its Colonel at date of muster out was James M. Comly, a distinguished scientist and political economist, and at one time our minister to Honolulu. And lastly, William McKinley, recently nominated for the Presidency of the United States on the Republican ticket, joined it as a private when but a boy, rose to Captain and was breveted Major for "gallant and meritorious services during the campaigns in West Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley."

REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE.

The United States Revenue Cutter Grant was at Sitka, Alaska, on June 11. When she sailed north from Port Townsend she took five 3d Lieutenants, who had been ordered from the Atlantic to join vessels in the Pacific fleet. The names and assignments of these officers are as follows: Lieut. B. M. Chiswell, to the Corwin; Lieut. B. H. Camden, to the Rush; Lieut. R. M. Sturdevant, to the Perry; Lieut. H. G. Hamlet, to the Bear, and Lieut. J. C. Hooker, as 3d Lieutenant and Signal Officer of the Grant. The Grant, which was formerly on the New York station, is now the fastest vessel among the seven cutters comprising the Behring Sea fleet. Capt. C. L. Hooper, commanding Behring Sea fleet, on June 11, transferred his flag to the Grant, and she will be his flagship on the cruise to Unalaska, at which place Capt. Hooper was to transfer his headquarters on shore about June 21, and thereafter direct the movements of the fleet from that place. The Grant sailed from Sitka June 13 to the westward. Her Majesty's government will have two vessels doing patrol duty in the North Pacific and Behring Sea.

The Treasury Department has ordered a change in the exterior appearance of the vessels of the revenue service. These vessels have been distinguished by black hulls, white deckhouses and black stacks. Under the new order of things they will appear with white hulls, with black streaks and yellow stacks. Their general white appearance will give them a resemblance in miniature to Uncle Sam's warships, which similarity will be increased when the officers and men appear in their new summer uniform of white duck.

Engineer-in-Chief J. W. Collins is on an inspection trip to Cleveland, Boston and Philadelphia, at which places he will examine the work on the new revenue cutters. Rapid progress is being made with the construction of the new revenue cutter Golden Gate, by the Moran Bros., of Seattle, Wash. The practice ship Chase sailed from Baltimore for Boston on Monday. The Guthrie towed her as far as the Capes. Work will soon begin on the preparation of the plans for the new lake cutters, recently authorized by Congress. They will probably be very nearly duplicates of Revenue Cutter No. 1, building at Cleveland, O. 1st Lieut. John C. Moore, on leave from the Colfax, was a recent visitor at the Department. 2d Asst. Engr. Hiram A. Seymour, of the McLane, died on the 15th inst., in the hospital at Mobile, Ala. Deceased had been in the service less than a year and was considered one of its brightest young officers.

1st Asst. Engr. Charles A. McAllister returned to Washington on Tuesday from Philadelphia, where he had made an inspection of steel castings for Revenue Cutter No. 3.

Lieut. P. H. Brereton is on a short vacation.

The revenue cutter Winona left Key West June 24 in chase of the steamer City of Richmond, carrying men and munitions to the Cubans, but did not succeed in overtaking her.

NAVAL CADETS APPOINTED.

Cadets at the United States Naval Academy have been appointed as follows: George F. Blair, Jackson, Mich.; Willis G. Mitchell, Warren, Pa., with Eugene E. Grimm, Franklin, Pa., as alternate; William H. Keiths, Pilot Knob, Mo., with James O. Buford, Bellevue, Mo., as alternate; William Brackett, Peoria, Ill., with Fred W. Potter, Henry, Ill., as alternate; John F. Mann, Grand Gorge, N. Y., with E. R. St. John, Walton, N. Y., as alternate; Robert Morris, Salt Lake City, Utah, with Alexander Colbath, Salt Lake City, as alternate; John M. Caffery, Franklin, La.; Charles C. Day, Laurel, Ind., with William C. Parrish, Greensburg, Ind., as alternate; Frank McGalliard, Bridgeton, N. J.; Scott M. Thompson, Fernadina, Fla., with Hugh G. Blount, Lamont Postoffice, Fla., as alternate; Theodore G. Bilbo, Poplarville, Miss., with Isaac E. Bass, Carley, Miss., as alternate; Gerald Shelby, Shelby Postoffice, Miss.

STRENGTH OF FOREIGN ARMIES.

From "Notes on Organization, Armaments and Military Progress," published by the Military Information Division we learn that in England there are two states of mobilization for war—service abroad, and home defense. The total strength of the corps for home defense, if the number of guns is increased as has been announced, will be 1,139 officers, 32,450 men, and 102 guns. There are 3 such corps and 4 cavalry brigades. For service abroad, a force consisting of 1 Army corps and an independent cavalry division is provided for, the total strength of which is 1,155 officers, 33,396 men, and 84 guns. An expeditionary corps has recently been organized, amounting in round numbers to 20,000 men in the infantry division and 13,212 men and 30 guns in the cavalry brigade, with a special view to rapid mobilization, which must be always kept in a state of readiness. Besides the British troops stationed in India, amounting to some 75,000 officers and men, there are the Indian forces, properly speaking, consisting of regiments stationed in India and formed almost entirely of natives of the Indian Empire. The Indian Army is maintained for one purpose, "to share in operations outside of India and beyond the seas." In 1895 the total strength of the Anglo-Indian Armies amounted to 5,100 English officers, and 215,500 enlisted men, English and natives. The total armed strength of England and India is placed at 865,421 men, of whom 816,583 are available.

On a peace footing, France's military strength is 524,768 men, and, if necessary, she can, in case of war, put into the field a total of 2,930,000 men. The prospective strength is given as 3,750,000 men. The military authorities of Germany, in drafting their new Army bill, figured out the ultimate war strength of the French Army as about 4,050,000 men. The total peace strength of the German Army is 584,548 men. On a war footing, Germany has a total of 3,700,000 officers and men available. The prospective strength is placed at 4,297,856. The total number of men between 20 and 45 years of age available for national defense is estimated at 7,697,856 officers and men, of whom 4,297,856 are thoroughly trained soldiers.

Italy's strength on a war footing is placed at 3,397,369, of whom 1,330,174 consists of untrained militia. Excluding untrained men, a foreign staff officer places the prospective strength in time of war at 1,525,526 men. The strength of the Russian Army, on a war footing, amounts to 58,230 officers and 3,077,394 men. The prospective war strength is estimated to be 12,918,000 men. The men liable to military service in Switzerland number 509,000, according to recent statistics published by the Government at Berne. Of them 233,000 are incorporated in the active service and 276,000 kept on the rolls, to be called upon only in case of an extraordinary emergency.

THE NAVY.

H. A. HERBERT, Secretary. WM. MCADOO, Asst. Sec'y.

NAVY GAZETTE.

JUNE 18.—Paymaster T. S. Jewett, detached from Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., ordered to Bureau of Supplies and Accounts.

Carpenter W. F. Stevenson, ordered to Newport News, Va., June 27.

P. A. Engr. T. F. Burgdorff, ordered to duty in connection with the Oregon.

Gunner H. B. Soule, ordered to Navy Yard, New York, July 2.

Lieut. F. H. Holmes, ordered in charge Branch Hydrographic Office, Boston, Mass., June 23.

JUNE 19.—Lieut. A. Gleeves, detached from the Monadnock, July 15, and ordered to the U. S. R. S. Franklin, in connection with the Texas.

Lieut. J. P. Parker, detached from Naval Academy July 1, and ordered to the Monadnock July 15.

Lieut. M. E. Hall, detached from the Marblehead, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Ensign J. F. Carter, detached from the Alert, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Ensign R. R. Belknap, detached from the Yorktown, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Ensign F. B. Bassett, detached from the Naval Academy July 1, ordered to the Thetis.

Lieut. W. Truxton, detached from the 5th Lighthouse District July 11, ordered to the Newark.

Lieut. E. D. Bostick, detached from the Newark, ordered home and granted six weeks' leave.

Ensign P. Andrews, detached from the Raleigh July 15, ordered to the Newark same date.

Lieut. E. E. Wright, detached from the Newark July 15, and ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Acting Gunner L. J. Connelly, ordered to Indian Head June 25.

Lieut. A. P. Niblack, detached from the Navy Department June 19, ordered to the Dolphin June 20.

Ensign E. W. Eberle, detached from the Academy July 1, ordered to the Independence in connection with the Oregon.

Lieut. W. H. Allen, detached from the Academy July 1, ordered to the Independence in connection with the Oregon.

Ensign E. H. Durell, detached from the Academy July 1, ordered to the U. S. R. S. Independence in connection with the Oregon.

Boatswain H. Sweeney, restricted to limits of Station for six months.

JUNE 20.—Ensign H. G. Macfarland, detached from the Bennington July 20, ordered to the Columbia July 30.

Ensign J. H. Sypher, detached from the Columbia July 30, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Lieut. E. E. Caphart, detached from the Terror July 13, ordered to the New York July 15.

Ensign T. Washington, detached from the Montgomery July 15, and ordered to the Terror same day.

Lieut. J. F. Parker, detached from the New York July 15, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Lieut. C. Laird, detached from the Bureau of Equipment July 13, ordered to the New York July 15.

Lieut. H. C. Poundstone, detached from the New York July 15, ordered home and granted three months' leave.

JUNE 22.—Chief Engr. J. L. D. Borthwick, ordered to the New York Navy Yard June 29.

Ensign C. M. McCormick, detached from the Dolphin and ordered to duty under Fish Commission.

Cadet Amos Bronson, ordered to the Columbia instead of the Newark.

JUNE 23.—Asst. Surg. S. B. Palmer, ordered to the Naval Laboratory, New York.

Ensign H. O. MacFarland, detached from the Bennington July 20, instead of July 14, as heretofore ordered.

JUNE 24.—Lieut. J. C. Cresap, detached from Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., June 26, and ordered to the Franklin same date.

JUNE 26.—Asst. Engr. J. S. Porter, from treatment at New York Naval Hospital, June 26, and granted six months' sick leave.

Ensign H. G. Gates, from the Michigan June 30, and granted three months' sick leave.

Lieut. Comdr. Uriel Seebree, from Naval Academy July 31 to command the Thetis August 5.

Lieut. Comdr. Harry Knox, from the Thetis August 5, to the Naval Academy September 1.

Lieut. David Pencoek, from Naval Observatory, July 6, to the Monterey July 15.

P. A. Paymr. W. B. Wilcox, to the Monadnock July 11.

Comdr. M. R. S. Mackenzie, from the War College and placed on waiting orders.

JUNE 23.—Sailmaker Garrett van Mater, from steel inspection duty, Munhall, Pa., to same duty Pittsburgh, Pa.

JUNE 25.—The following officers ordered to the Oregon July 15: Capt. H. L. Howison, Lieut. Comdr. F. J. Drake, Lieut. E. M. Hughes, Lieut. W. R. A. Rooney, from the Monterey; Lieut. W. Allen, Ensign E. W. Eberle, Ensign E. H. Durell, Naval Cadets P. M. Bannan, R. Z. Johnson, N. H. Hall, J. J. Raby, M. J. McCormack, H. Laning, F. D. Karns, and J. P. Morton; P. A. Surg. George Rothganger, Paymr. S. R. Colburn, from the Monadnock; Chief Engr. R. W. Milligan, from the Monterey; P. A. Engr. T. F. Burgdorff, Boatswain J. Costello, Acting Gunner A. S. Williams, and Carpenter M. F. Roberts.

PROMOTIONS.

The following promotions in the Navy were approved on June 19: Captain, George Dewey; Lieutenant Commanders, W. H. Emory and Seth M. Ackley; Lieutenants, C. P. Perkins, N. E. Niles, William A. Gill, W. J. Sears, J. A. Bell, E. H. Tilman, A. W. Hourigan, H. G. Dresel, and Harry Phelps; Ensigns, H. A. Bispham, G. W. Kline; Medical Inspector, Daniel McMurtrie; Assistant Surgeons, E. M. Shipp and C. M. De Valin; Passed Assistant Engineer, J. P. S. Lawrence; and Assistant Engineer, H. O. Stickney.

RETIREMENTS.

The following retirements in the Navy were announced by the President on June 19: Capt. T. F. Kane; Ensigns D. W. Boswick, C. Churchill, R. J. Hartung; Chief Engr. G. M. L. MacCarty; Mate J. W. Bonesall; and Carpenter A. W. Massey.

VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The recommendations of the Academic Board for the assignment of naval graduates have not yet been received at the Navy Department. The board will undoubtedly recommend the assignment of two officers to the Marine Corps, to fill existing vacancies. It is understood that Secretary Herbert has determined to assign Graduate Melville J. Shaw to one of these vacancies. There will be vacancies enough for the graduates of both the line

Engineer divisions, so that all the young men will be accommodated. The Navy Department has instructed the Naval Attaché of the United States in Paris to secure permission from the French Government for two cadets of the Naval Academy to undergo a course of instruction at the French Academies. No application is to be made to England for similar permission, the United States having been informed last year by the British Government that it could not permit foreign governments to educate their young men in its schools. Secretary Herbert will appoint in a few days board members of officers ranking as Captain, Chief Engineer and Lieutenant, to pass upon questions in connection with Naval Reserve he proposes forming.

The "Westminster Gazette" has a dispatch from Bombay saying it is reported there that the British warship *Admiral*, while making a passage from Colombo, India, to Pondicherry, capital of the French settlements, lost seventy men by sunstroke.

Concerning the U. S. S. *Castine*, the Buenos Ayres "Standard" of May 19 says: "The United States gunboat *Castine* is the center of attraction of daily crowds in her berth at the northeast end of Dock No. 3. She will not be better placed, and we trust that she will remain there. Capt. Perry, her commander, has been much congratulated on the smart appearance of ship and crew, as fine a lot of fellows as ever visited these shores. The *Castine* is a new ship, of about 1,100 tons, carrying eight 4-inch quick-firing guns and torpedo tubes. Her gallant tars will form in the Plaza Mayo on 25th of May, and they may prepare for a warm greeting from the Portenos. We also hear that the *Castine* will avail of high water to come into the harbor and land several companies to join in the parade, which will consist exclusively of tars, to the exclusion of Army forces. It will be a pleasing sight, especially the North American contingent."

The following is the itinerary of the *Dolphin*: Left Washington, June 22 for Philadelphia, stopping on her way up the Delaware River at the Navy Yard, League and to inquire into the condition of monitors for which requests have been made from the Naval Militia. June 24 the monitor *Ajax* and other Government property now in possession of the New Jersey Naval Militia was inspected at Camden, and a conference with officers was held regarding the condition of the organization, its wants, etc. From Philadelphia the *Dolphin* goes to New York to inspect the Portsmouth and Eastern Naval Battalion of New Jersey at Hoboken. On New York to Gardiner's Bay to select a joint camp for the naval brigades of New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island. The Surgeon on board of the *Dolphin* will advise as to the sanitary conditions, etc., of the selected. From this point, Mr. McAdoo and his wife will leave for Detroit, Mich., arriving there in time to inspect and witness the departure of the Michigan Naval Militia on board of the U. S. S. *Michigan*. From Detroit to Chicago to inspect the Naval Militia of Illinois, leaving there, return in time to attend the camp, if able, at Gardiner's Bay, and from thence to Washington.

As a result of the trouble experienced in connection with the bottom of the *Minneapolis*, this special circular has been issued by the Navy Department, dated June 16: "In order to establish uniform practice in the matter of painting the bottoms of vessels of the Navy, the following general instructions are to be observed: The bottom is to be thoroughly cleaned and all blistered paint scraped, but no paint of any kind which adheres firmly affords protection is to be removed. The selection of paint to be applied is to be governed by the following considerations:

1. Efficiency as established by actual use on ships' bottoms.

2. The probability of finding it on hand in the ports of call.

The objection to changing from the paint already on the bottom, as good results cannot be expected until the coats of one kind have been applied. Experience having shown that the protection for the bottoms afforded by red lead, or by red lead and zinc, is not generally reliable, their use, either touching up spots or as a complete coat, will be discontinued, except for vessels under exceptional circumstances, which are to be specifically stated by the board. Any exception is made to this general rule such as is only to be painted with red lead and white after the bottom has been carefully prepared and is ample time for allowing the paint to thoroughly

dry, July 1, 1896, at the War College, Newport, was: 1st and 3d committees, tactical and duel games; 2d and 4th committees, tactical situations; "Strategy," Capt. Mahan; 1st and 2d committees, tactical situations; 3d and 4th committees, tactical and duel games; all committees, consideration of the principal problem; examination and explanation of war charts.

The old-time man-of-war *Pensacola*, which was ordered purchased and sold some months ago, is to be plucked by the merchant marine and returned to naval service. The vessel's sale has not yet been affected. The Department was therefore able to issue orders that she be retained for use as a training-ship for apprentices of the Pacific slope. The old vessel is at Mare Island. She will be put into thorough condition for the work she is to perform. It was thought the *Adams* or *Mohican* might be assigned to this duty, but they are required for active service and the *Pensacola* therefore turned to the *Pensacola* as a substitute.

Secretary Herbert has this week issued advertisements for bids on the construction of three battleships of about 11,000 tons displacement. The bids are to be opened on Sept. 14, four days before the opening of the bids on the proposed torpedo boats. The advertisements will call for bids on vessels superior to the *Kentucky* class, and much better than the *Kentucky* and *Georgia*. Their superiority over the latter will lie, it is believed, in the arrangement of their batteries.

Admiral Ramsay, it is understood, will be assigned to the Naval member of the Santa Monica Commission, the appointment of which was authorized by the act of Congress. This duty will require his attendance for some months, and will commence immediately after he leaves his present post. His duty will be only of a temporary character, however, and the Admiral will return, it is the present intention of the Secretary, to duty as Chief of the Bureau of Naval Construction. Capt. F. A. Cook will act as Chief of the Bureau in Admiral Ramsay's absence. The hints which have been given about the Admiral leaving the bureau have given rise to the rumor that he was to go to the "Journal" can state authoritatively that it is not true. It is Secretary Herbert's intention to have the Admiral as chief of the Bureau until the expiration of his administration, and the Admiral will then not

probably be disturbed, as his retirement will take place in the month following.

The action of Secretary Herbert in permitting Engineer Officers to present their side of the staff and line controversy in the public press has led to a demand for a similar privilege by the line. It is believed that the result will be a restriction of the privilege of publication hereafter.

VESSELS OF THE U. S. NAVY IN COMMISSION.

(The letters in parentheses following the name of the commanding officer denote the station or service to which the vessel is assigned.)

ASIATIC STATION.—Rear Adm. F. V. McNair. Address all mail Yokohama, Japan, unless otherwise noted.

EUROPEAN STATION.—Rear Adm. T. O. Selfridge, Jr. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England, unless otherwise noted.

NORTH ATLANTIC STATION.—Rear Adm. F. M. Bunce. Address as noted under vessels.

PACIFIC STATION.—Rear Adm. L. A. Beardslee. Address Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal., except where otherwise noted.

SOUTH ATLANTIC STATION.—Capt. Yates Stirling assigned to temporary command. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England, unless otherwise noted.

ADAMS, 6 Guns, Comdr. E. W. Watson (p. s.) At Honolulu. Address care Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

ALBATROSS (F. C. ves.), Lieut. Comdr. J. F. Moser (s. d.) At San Francisco. Will go to Behring Sea.

ALERT, 4 Guns, Comdr. F. Hanford (p. s.) Address all mail care of Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. At Mazatlan June 19.

ALLIANCE, 7 Guns, Comdr. H. N. Manney. (Training-ship.) New York Navy Yard. Address at that place.

AMPHITRITE, 6 Guns, Capt. W. C. Wise (n. a. s.) At Southport, N. C., June 22. Address there.

BENNINGTON, 6 Guns, Comdr. G. W. Pigman (p. s.) At Mare Island, Cal.

BANCROFT, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. B. F. Tilley (cadet practice vessel.) At Philadelphia June 19, with Engineer Divisions for a cruise along coast to different Navy Yards and return about Aug. 25 to Annapolis.

BOSTON, 8 Guns, Capt. Frank Wildes (a. s.) At Chin Kiang, China.

CASTINE, 8 Guns, Comdr. Thomas Perry (s. a. s.) At Colonia, Uruguay, June 24. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England.

CHARLESTON, 8 Guns, Capt. George W. Coffin (a. s.) Left Yokohama, Japan, June 8, for Honolulu.

CINCINNATI, 11 Guns, Capt. M. L. Johnson (n. a. s.) At Navy Yard, N. Y. Address there. Went outside for target practice on June 25.

COLUMBIA, 11 Guns, Capt. J. H. Sands (n. a. s.) At New York.

CONSTELLATION, Comdr. F. W. Dickins (Training-ship.) Newport, R. I.

CUSHING (Torpedo boat), Lieut. Roy C. Smith (s. d.) At Washington, D. C.

DETROIT, 10 Guns, Comdr. John S. Newell (a. s.) At Yokohama, Japan. Comdr. George C. Reiter ordered to command per steamer of July 30.

DOLPHIN (Desp. boat) (s. d.), Lieut. Comdr. R. Clover. At League Island, Pa., June 23 with Assistant Secretary of the Navy McAdoo for a tour of the Northern coast.

ENTERPRISE, 6 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. Jos. G. Eaton. (Training-ship.) On her summer cruise the itinerary is: Arrive Queenstown, Ireland, June 29, leave July 6; arrive Southampton, England, July 9, leave July 15; arrive Antwerp, Belgium, July 18, leave July 23; arrive Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 5, leave Aug. 10; arrive Madeira Aug. 15, leave Aug. 21; arrive Penobscot Bay Sept. 25. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, agent, 4 Trafalgar square, London, S. W., until July 27, inclusive (from May 23). After July 27, care Board Comrs. Mass. Nautical Training School, State House, Boston, Mass.

ERICSSON, torpedo boat, Lieut. N. R. Usher. Ordered into commission at New York.

ESSEX, 6 Guns, Comdr. E. T. Strong (Training-ship.) At Lisbon June 23. Address care, B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England. Following is the itinerary of her summer cruise: Arrive Funchal July 5, leave July 12; arrive Las Palmas, Canary Islands, July 16, leave for Gardiner's Bay, L. I., July 26.

FERN (Desp. boat), Lieut. Comdr. H. B. Mansfield (n. a. s.) At Navy Yard, New York, June 23. To act as dispatch vessel for fleet under Adm. Bunce.

FRANKLIN, 30 Guns, Capt. Silas W. Terry (Receiving-ship.) At Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.

INDEPENDENCE (Receiving-ship), Comdr. C. E. Clark. At Mare Island, Cal.

INDIANA, 16 Guns, Capt. Robley D. Evans (n. a. s.) At Tompkinsville, N. Y.

KATAHDIN, Ram, Comdr. R. P. Leary (n. a. s.) At Navy Yard, New York.

LANCASTER, 12 Guns, Capt. Yates Stirling (s. a. s.) (Flagship.) At Montevideo. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England.

MACHIAS, 8 Guns, Comdr. Edw. S. Houston (a. s.) At Yokohama, Japan, June 19.

MAINE, 10 Guns, Capt. A. S. Crowninshield (n. a. s.) At Key West, Fla.

MARBLEHEAD, 10 Guns, Comdr. T. F. Jewell (e. a.) At Venice, June 25.

MARION, 8 Guns, Comdr. J. G. Green (p. s.) At Paita, Peru. Address mail, care of U. S. Consul, Panama, U. S. C.

MASSACHUSETTS, 16 Guns, Capt. Frederick Rogers (n. a. s.) At Philadelphia, Pa. Will proceed to New York and join squadron.

MICHIGAN, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. E. H. C. Leutze. Address Put-in-Bay, O. Will be on survey duty on Lake Erie until early in July, when she will take out Naval Militia for a cruise of instruction.

MINNEAPOLIS, 11 Guns, Capt. G. H. Wadleigh (e. s.) (Flagship.) At Helsingfors June 22. Address, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England.

MONADNOCK, 6 Guns (Monitor), Capt. G. W. Sumner (p. s.) At Santa Cruz, Cal., June 16. Address, care Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

MONOCACY, 6 Guns, Comdr. W. W. Reisinger (a. s.) At Tien-Tsin, China.

MONONCAHELA, 4 Guns, Comdr. E. White. (Practice ship for naval cadets.) Left Annapolis June

8 on a cruise to Madeira. On June 12 was reported 110 miles from Cape Henry, latitude 36° 56', longitude 73° 40' 20".

MONTEREY, 4 Guns, Capt. N. Ludlow (p. s.) At Tacoma, Wash. Will remain there until August repairing. Address, care Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. Will proceed to Mare Island, Cal.

MONTGOMERY, 10 Guns, Comdr. Chas. H. Davis (a. s.) R. B. Bradford ordered to command on July 1. Went outside for target practice June 25.

NEWARK, 18 Guns, Capt. N. H. Farquhar (n. a. s.) At Navy Yard, New York.

NEW YORK, 18 Guns, Capt. W. S. Schley (n. a. s.) (Flagship.) At New York Navy Yard. Address there.

OLYMPIA, 14 Guns, Capt. J. J. Read (a. s.) (Flagship.) At Yokohama, Japan.

PHILADELPHIA, 12 Guns, Capt. C. S. Cotton (p. s.) (Flagship.) At Santa Cruz, Cal. Address, care of Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

PINTA, 4 Howitzers, Lieut. Comdr. A. R. Couden (s. d.) At Sitka, Alaska, where mail should be addressed.

RALEIGH, 11 guns, Capt. Merrill Miller (n. a. s.) At New Orleans, La., June 25, to instruct Naval Militia. Address New Orleans, La. Will leave about July 5 to join Adm. Bunce's squadron.

RICHMOND (Receiving-ship), Comdr. C. M. Chester. At League Island, Pa.

ST. MARY'S, 8 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. W. L. Field. (Public Marine School.) On her summer cruise. Arrived at Queenstown, Ireland, on June 16. The itinerary is as follows: Leave Queenstown June 27, arrive Havre July 2; leave Havre July 9, arrive Southampton July 10; leave Southampton July 17, arrive Lisbon July 27; leave Lisbon Aug. 3, arrive Gibraltar Aug. 8; leave Gibraltar Aug. 15, arrive Madeira Aug. 22; leave Madeira Aug. 31, arrive home Sept. 30. The address after leaving New London will be: Schoolship St. Mary's, care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar square, London, England.

SAN FRANCISCO, 12 Guns, Capt. E. M. Shepard (a. s.) At Mersine, Syria.

SARATOGA, Comdr. C. T. Hutchins (Penn school-ship.) To leave Philadelphia, Pa., June 29, on her summer cruise. The itinerary is: Arrive at Fayal, July 17; Queenstown, July 27; Southampton, Aug. 6; Havre, Aug. 18; Gibraltar, Sept. 10, touching at Madeira en route home, arriving at Delaware Breakwater Oct. 25.

STILETTO, torpedo boat, Lieut. H. Hutchins, Newport, R. I.

TERROR, Monitor, Capt. P. F. Harrington (n. a. s.) At New York Navy Yard. Will join squadron.

THETIS, 2 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. H. Knox (s. d.) At Mare Island. Address, care Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.

VERMONT, 1 Gun, Capt. Silas Casey (Receiving-ship.) At New York Navy Yard.

WABASH, 20 Guns, Capt. A. Kautz (Receiving-ship.) At Boston, Mass.

YANTIC, 4 Guns, Lieut. Comdr. F. P. Gilmore (s. a. s.) Left Montevideo, Uruguay, June 22 for Uruguay River.

YORKTOWN, 6 Guns, Comdr. Chas. H. Stockton (a. s.) At Chemulpo, Korea.

CAPT. BOURKE ON ARBITRATION.

Speaking of Capt. Bourke, the editor of "City and State," Philadelphia, says: "It was the moral warmth of Capt. Bourke's nature, and his never-failing enthusiasm in the cause of justice and right, more even than his Irish wit and brilliant conversational gifts, which account for the intensity of friendship which he inspired; a friendship that strengthened with knowledge and years."

But what word could come with finer force than that which he spoke very recently when declining, through necessary conditions, an invitation to be present at the Philadelphia conference for a permanent court of arbitration with Great Britain? This closing utterance of an Irish-American and a soldier, whose courage and great service none can gainsay, might well serve as an epitaph for this brave, true-hearted man. 'But if not present in person I can be present in spirit and sympathy.' The older I grow, the more I study and reflect, the more I travel and see, the more plain becomes the truth that war is a crime if resorted to before every possible means of peaceful solution of difficulties have been tried and proved unsatisfactory. Great Britain and the United States could well take the initiative in the establishment of such a court of arbitration as you propose. Other nations would soon come in. In my opinion a contention in which the United States Government might be a party, would be surer of fair, honorable and dignified treatment from a juror of the caliber of Sir Charles Russell, the Chief Justice of Great Britain, than it would from any packed mass meeting of political wire pullers, aspirants for cheap military glory, applicants for sutlerships, owners of stock in cartridge factories, or idiomne gens, who are always on deck to yell patriotism every time they think they can advance their own selfish personal ends. Our own Chief Justice Fuller would be just as fair in his deliberations upon a matter in which the claims of Great Britain are to be considered. We can avoid war with honor almost every time. It is the heap hoodlum politician, who could not get into the last war, and who could not go into the next, who is most afraid that our national honor needs blood to brighten it."

In the Army personal courage is not so much admired as required; particularly at the wild frontier posts in the far West, where an almost continual warfare with the Indians is—or was—kept up, deeds of reckless heroism, of magnificent bravery, are treated as matters of course, and a man gives up his life and gets very little glory for it. A few respectable townsmen in the States read a garbled account of the latest brush with the Indians, feel, perhaps, a momentary stir of the blood, and then to criticising the policy pursued, and so forget all about it. To his comrades the man is a demigod. But it is a very local fame; approval finds small expression, and comment tends more to contempt for failure than to admiration of success. Military courage is the commonest attribute of mankind, and not one man in a hundred fails of it; but to endure the hardships, the privations, and the deadly ennui of frontier life requires another sort of bravery altogether, and when a man lives up to it all—ah, then he is a man.—Jean Wright, in July "Lippincott's."

THE STATE TROOPS.

NEW YORK STATE CAMP.

For the fifteenth season the camp of instruction of New York, near Peekskill, opens this afternoon (June 27), when the 8th Regiment, Col. Chauncey; Squadron A, Maj. Roe, and the 1st Provisional Battalion of Separate Companies, under Capt. Kirby, report for duty, and the usual opening salute is fired by a detachment of the 1st Battery. The camp proper will be the same as last year, with the exception that there will be several additional company streets, which will obviate the crowding of last year. The instruction, as heretofore noted in the "Journal," will differ somewhat from that of last year, and regimental commanders will be given an opportunity to drill their commands, an innovation that will be appreciated. Drills on Monday will be as follows: Early morning, by platoon in extended order, including fringes. Forenoon, drill by battalion in closed order. Tuesdays, early morning by platoon in extended order. Forenoon, drill by battalion in closed order. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, the early morning drills will be by company in extended order. The forenoon drill of Wednesday will be by battalion in closed order, and on Thursday and Friday by the regiment in closed order. If the intention of the Paymaster General to pay the troops on the train en route home is carried out, commanding officers will have the advantage of Saturday forenoon for drill, which in former years had to be devoted to the payment of the troops. The following officers comprise the post staff: Maj. Gen. E. A. McAlpin, Adj. Gen., as commander; Brig. Gen. F. C. McLewee, Insp. Gen.; Maj. H. P. Stackpole, 10th Batta., as Post Adjutant; Lieut. C. Strevell, 10th Batta., as Assistant Post Adjutant; Col. J. G. Story, Ord. Dept., as Post Quartermaster, Commissary of Subsistence and Ordnance Officer; Maj. F. R. Lee, Asst. Insp. Gen., as Post Inspector; Lieut. Col. McCoskry Butt, 12th Regt., as Inspector of Guard Duty; Lieut. C. K. Mellen, 42d Sep. Co., as Assistant Inspector of Guard Duty; Col. G. J. Greene, Asst. Insp. Gen.; Maj. R. M. Harding, 74th Reg., and Capt. N. B. Thurston, 22d Reg., as Inspectors of Drill; Maj. F. Le Roy Tetamore, Surg., 14th Reg., as Medical Instructor; Maj. E. B. Ives, Chief Signal Officer, as Instructor and Commanding Officer of the Signal Corps. The War Department will be represented by Col. R. H. Hall, 4th U. S. Inf.

Those desiring to visit the different organizations of the New York National Guard in camp near Peekskill this season will be pleased to learn that the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, in addition to their usual schedule of trains from New York City to Peekskill, have further added to the convenience of camp visitors by running trains to and from Roa Hook, thus saving visitors the annoyance, risk and expense of the rowboat trip from Peekskill to camp. Week day trains will leave New York City for Roa Hook at 11:30 A. M., 1:50 and 2:05 P. M. and return 5:42 and 7:59 P. M. The Sunday trains to Roa Hook leave the Grand Central Depot at 9:35 A. M. and 3:45 P. M. and return to New York City at 4:59 and 7:59 P. M. Special excursion round-trip tickets during the encampment can be obtained for \$1.25, and can be purchased at the Grand Central Depot or at Nos. 113 Broadway, 14 Park place, 261 Broadway, 413 Broadway, 31 East Fourteenth street, 942 Broadway, 235 Columbus avenue, 61 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street Station, New York City, or at Nos. 338 Fulton street, 726 Fulton street, 106 Broadway, E. D., Brooklyn. The various organizations of the National Guard will occupy the State Camp as follows: Squadron A, the 8th Regiment, and the 2d, 25th, 42d and 44th Separate Companies, June 27 to July 4; 13th Regiment, and 1st, 30th, 43d and 48th Separate Companies, July 4 to July 11; 23d Regiment, and 29th, 34th, 41st and 46th Separate Companies, July 11 to July 18; 9th Regiment, and 5th, 10th, 24th and 37th Separate Companies, July 18 to July 25; 14th Regiment, the 8th and 17th Separate Companies, and the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th Signal Corps, July 25 to Aug. 1; Troop C, the 69th Regiment, and the 3d, 9th, 33d and 39th Separate Companies, Aug. 1 to Aug. 8; 1st and 2d Batteries, New York; 3d Battery, Brooklyn; 5th Battery, Syracuse; 6th Battery, Binghamton; Battery K, U. S. A., Governors Island, Aug. 8 to Aug. 15.

Gen. Flagler, Chief of Ordnance, who has charge of preparing the camp for occupancy, has been busy in this work for two months past, the frequent rains causing washouts on the grounds and roads and increasing the amount of labor considerably. There will be 16 company streets this year, additional sinks, and an extension to the kitchen. The line officers' street has been straightened and an additional water tank, holding some 20,000 gallons has been added.

IOWA.

Adj. Gen. Wright, of Iowa, announces under date of June 15, that as a recognition of faithful and meritorious service and earnest effort to attain a high degree of efficiency as an officer, all officers of the Iowa National Guard from 2d Lieutenant to Major, inclusive, shall receive brevet rank one grade higher than their actual rank at the time of examination who comply with the following conditions: (a) Three years' continuous service as an officer. (b) Attendance at two sessions of the school for officers of the Iowa National Guard. (c) Passing an examination as provided for by G. O. No. 80, H. Q. A., A. G. O., Oct. 5, 1891, with the exception that all officers up to and including Captain shall not be required to prepare an essay, and that the examination of Majors be the same as required for Captains by said order.

Officers holding brevet rank will be entitled to precedence in their own grade over officers not holding brevet rank and will be so borne on all reports and returns.

To secure uniformity the following-named text-books shall be considered as authority by the Iowa National Guard and all instruction shall be according to their teaching: "Infantry Drill Regulations, U. S. A.," "Manual of Guard Duty, U. S. A.," "Troops in Campaign, U. S. A.," "U. S. Army Regulations, 1895," "Winthrop's Abridgment of Military Law," W. H. Morrison, Washington, D. C.; "Manual for Courts Martial," Lieut. Arthur Murray, 1896, John Wiley & Son, New York; "Catechism of Outpost Duty," Capt. A. L. Wagner, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; "Organization and Tactics," Capt. A. L. Wagner, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; "Military Topography and Sketching," Lieut. E. A. Root, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; "Manual of Field Engineering," Capt. W. D. Beach, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; "Notes on Military Hygiene," Woodhull, U. S. A.; "The Soldier's First Aid Handbook," Dietz, U. S. A.; "Biennial Reports of the Adjutant General of Iowa for 1890-91, 1892-93, 1894-95." So much of G. O. No. 10, c. s., as fixes the date of encampment of the 2d Regiment, Iowa National Guard, for 1896, is revoked. The 2d Regiment will en-

camp at Ottumwa, July 25 to Aug. 1. The 1st Regiment will encamp at Independence, Aug. 15 to 22, and the 3d Regiment at Red Oak, Aug. 22 to 29.

OHIO.

An election has been ordered by the Adjutant General of Ohio to fill the vacancy in the 1st Regiment Light Artillery of Lieutenant Colonel. The term of commission of E. O. Dana, of Cincinnati, the present Lieutenant Colonel, expires July 11. The nominating convention took place at the headquarters of the regiment at Columbus, O., June 22. The election occurs June 29. There will probably be two candidates in the field: E. O. Dana and Maj. Hopkins. As a result of the election held to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. N. P. Darrow of the position of Lieutenant Colonel of the 14th Regiment, Maj. Adams will receive the promotion. He was opposed by Maj. J. C. Speaks.

GEORGIA.

The 1st Separate Battalion Infantry, Georgia Volunteers (Savannah Volunteer Guards), have just finished their tour of duty at "Camp Northern," Griffin, Ga., and Lieut. Col. William Garrard, who is commanding officer of the "Guards" has every reason to be proud of his men, as they sustained their excellent record of past years in drill and guard duty, and in shooting they surpassed any previous records. The following men, qualified as sharpshooters: Lieut. F. C. Wilson, C. 155; Pvt. E. C. Mercer, A. 135; Pvt. H. E. Wilson, B. 132; Capt. G. T. Cann, C. 121. Marksmen—Pvt. Fred Myers, Jr., B. 116; Pvt. H. D. Osborne, C. 116; Corp. George Freeman, A. 114; Q. M. Sergt. John Schley, 101; Sergt. F. C. Richmond, D. 92; Capt. W. W. Williamson, A. 91; Lieut. Davis Freeman, Adj., 90.

ACCURATE SIGNAL MEN.

The following members of the 2d Signal Corps of New York, noted for its expertness and efficiency, have qualified as "Very Accurate Signalmen" in accordance with the prescribed conditions, viz., "that all men reading a test message of 100 characters, sent by wand, in three minutes and fifteen seconds without making more than one error, are reckoned very accurate:

	Time.	Errors.	Years qual-ified.
Pvt. J. W. Campbell.....	2:00	..	4
Sergt. William Jarvie, Jr.....	2:05	..	4
Pvt. C. T. Fowler.....	2:10	..	3
Sergt. V. E. B. Fuller.....	2:15	..	4
Sergt. H. C. Baldwin.....	2:15	..	7
Sergt. B. W. Blauvelt.....	2:20	..	4
Pvt. J. G. Sage.....	2:25	..	3
Pvt. A. T. Willis.....	2:30	..	4
Corp. H. S. Congdon.....	2:40	..	4
Corp. A. M. Boucher.....	2:44	..	4
Pvt. J. R. Smith.....	2:45	..	4
Pvt. J. P. Hunting.....	2:45	..	1
Corp. L. S. Quimby.....	2:45	..	4
Corp. William Reed.....	2:45	..	5
Pvt. W. B. Leverich.....	2:46	..	4
Corp. E. Bigelow, Jr.....	2:48	..	4
Pvt. B. M. Briggs, Jr.....	2:58	..	2
1st Sergt. C. B. Baldwin.....	2:58	..	8
Pvt. L. W. T. Coleman.....	3:00	..	2
Pvt. R. B. Herbert.....	3:00	..	2
Corp. H. W. Fisher.....	3:00	..	4
Pvt. R. H. Walbridge.....	3:03	..	3
Pvt. S. B. Bunker.....	3:07	..	2
Pvt. P. A. Brock.....	3:10	..	2
Capt. F. T. Leigh.....	3:10	..	9
Pvt. W. Wallace, Jr.....	3:11	..	4
Pvt. F. S. Cortis.....	3:12	..	4
Pvt. G. W. Will.....	3:13	..	3
Pvt. Alexander Boucher.....	3:13	..	3
Pvt. A. MacDougall.....	3:13	..	3
Pvt. J. T. B. Mearns.....	3:14	..	4
Pvt. D. G. Malcolm.....	3:15	..	1
Pvt. H. D. Atwater, Jr.....	3:15	..	3
Pvt. W. B. Fox, Jr.....	3:13	1	1
Pvt. M. Leggett.....	3:14	1	1
Pvt. J. T. Macdonald.....	3:15	1	1

NATIONAL GUARD ITEMS.

The final test at Creedmoor to decide which gun shall be adopted for the National Guard of New York, was held on June 23, under the direction of the State Board. The two guns tested were the straight pull Lee gun, manufactured by the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, a gun similar to the arm used by the United States Navy, and the Putnam gun, introduced and exhibited by Howard Gibbs, of Brooklyn. The guns underwent the rapid-firing, accuracy, sand, dust, defective cartridge, and other tests. The result of the Board's findings will be submitted to the Governor it is thought about Aug. 1.

At the meeting of the New York City Armory Board, on June 23, Col. George Moore Smith, of the 69th Regt., asked the board to procure an estimate of the cost of the alternative site for an armory for his command at Twenty-fourth street and Lexington avenue. The request was granted. President Barker, of the Tax Department, who was absent on account of illness, sent a memorandum showing that the value of the College of the City of New York site, first chosen, is \$735,000. The Sinking Fund Commissioners were requested to allow \$25,000 to furnish the new 9th Regt. Armory in West Fourteenth street, which was granted. Some repairs to the 22d Regt. rifle range, and the lighting of the 7th Regt. armory by electricity were authorized.

The 9th N. Y., Col. Seward, by permission of the contractor, will enter its new armory in West Fourteenth street on the afternoon of June 27. It will be some weeks yet before the building is completed and accepted by the armory board.

The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, of Boston, leaves the shores of the United States on June 29, on the steamship *Servia*, for a peaceful invasion of England, where they should land on July 6. With the exception of military rifle teams, the "Ancients," it is said, are the first armed military organization that Great Britain has ever permitted within her borders. Eleven members of the "Ancients" made a fraternal visit to London in 1887, but not as an armed body. In 1888 a delegation of twenty members of the Honorable Artillery of London visited the United States. Before the "Ancients" start across the Atlantic they will be presented with a new stand of colors by Gov. Wolcott, which will be carried in a parade in London. An elaborate programme of entertainment for the Boston men has been arranged, which includes receptions and dinners, and visits to various points of interest. At the close of the official exercises in London, the members will have the choice of several tours.

"What promises to be one of the most sensational military court martials ever held in Pennsylvania," says the Pittsburgh "Dispatch," "will convene at Franklin,

Pa., on Thursday, June 25, 1896, at 3 o'clock P. M., the trial of Maj. Leonard L. Ray and Frank E. Braden, who have been charged by Col. Willis J. Hulings, commander of the 16th Regiment, with incompetency and disrespect to their superior officer. There are many rumors floating around as to the cause of the trouble between Col. Hulings and his two Majors. Politics alleged to be at the bottom of the matter, and the trouble it is said, dates back to the night of the famous banquet given by Col. Hulings to Gov. Hastings and other military leaders at the brigade encampment at Glenaca. Another rumor is to the effect that the trouble is the outcome of some disagreement between Col. Hulings and Maj. Ray, at the last election. Col. Hulings, who is a Republican, was a candidate for the Legislature, and is alleged to have been opposed indirectly by Maj. Ray. Col. Hulings is said to be trying to get even. But this is another story which is probably the correct one as the charge of incompetency may be proven before a court martial if the statement of one of the best-known military men in the brigade is true.

The annual competition for the Carnochan trophy among teams of six men each from the companies of the 7th N. Y., resulted in a victory for the team of Company G, who scored 160 points. The conditions were seven shots per man at 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards, standing, kneeling, sitting and prone. The scores of the other teams were A, 153; F, 149; H, 147; C, 146; K, 138; 117; D, 114.

A cavalry company has been formed in East Dallas, Tex., with twenty-five members. Edward Webster, Captain, and D. R. Nash, 1st Lieutenant. The company furnishes carbines, saddles, sabers and revolvers.

Brig. Gen. Riggs, Maryland National Guard, has issued orders directing the three regiments of the Brigade to go into camp near the city of Frederick, Md. on Saturday, July 18, and remain until the following Saturday, July 25, 1896, inclusive.

During the period from July 1, 1896, to Sept. 12, 1896, a camp of instruction in rifle practice will be established on the rifle range at the State Camp, Sea Girt, N. J.

The "Illustrated American" for June 20, 1896, publishes an article by Julian Jerrold on The Seventh of New York, with a quotation under the title of Stephen A. Douglas' characterization of it as "that unrivaled regime of citizen soldiers." Half a dozen fine illustrations, of them full page, accompany the article.

A State Examining Board, consisting of Gen. F. Gerald, Col. Chauncey, 8th Regt., Lieut. Col. McCoskry Butt, 12th Regt., and Maj. Roe, of Squadron A of N. Y. Guard, has been appointed to meet at the State camp on July 2, for the examination of Lieut. A. Clayton, of the 1st Regt.

Adj. Gen. McAlpin, of New York, under date of June 22, announces the adoption of a new undress cap for officers. The pattern for the cap adopted was the one submitted by Messrs. H. V. Allen & Co., of 734 Broadway, New York City, the long-established military furnishing house. The cap was made according to the suggestion of Adj. Gen. McAlpin and is of dark blue cloth, with a drooping visor of black patent leather, four metal eyelets for ventilation and a cord strap of gold. The cap has a diameter at the top slightly greater than at the base and its height is 3 1/4 inches. The cap for general officers will have a velvet band of 1 1/2 inches, and that other officers will have a band of black lustrous mohair. Messrs. Allen have already received a number of orders for the new head dress.

It is practically decided that the annual encampment of the Vermont National Guard will be held August 22 inclusive, on the land of Col. W. Seward Webb, near Burlington. The ground selected is one of the most picturesque spots near Lake Champlain and will furnish an ideal camp ground. Vermont has again been honored in the selection, at the meeting of the Medal Honor Legion, at Boston, of Gen. T. S. Peck as State Vice Commander. Gen. Peck is the efficient Adj. General and has held the office ten years.

Col. Coryell, of the 12th Regt. of Pennsylvania, announces the following statement of the average attendance at drills for the month of May, 1896:

Company.	Rank.	Av. Att.	Sgts. Co.
A. Capt. W. F. Barber....	3	41.2	4.4
B. Capt. W. S. Sweeney....	7	31.8	2.7
C. Capt. W. H. Straub....	3	41.2	2.2
D. Capt. D. H. Updegraff....	1	43.6	4.0
E. 1st Lieut. J. W. Weaver....	6	32.7	3.7
F. Capt. C. P. Gearhart....	2	41.8	4.2
G. Capt. E. Russell.....	5	37.2	3.4
H. Capt. C. A. Smith.....	4	38.3	4.5
Total average.....		38.5	3.6

The Colonel congratulates the officers and enlisted men of Co. D, Williamsport, Pa., for their excellent average attendance.

NAVAL MILITIA.

Details from the 1st Naval Battalion of New York will camp at Sands Point, L. I., during Saturday and Sunday of each week, from June 27 to Sept. 1, 1896, ending Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12, and Saturday and Sunday, July 18 and 19. From Saturday, July 11 to Wednesday, July 15, a detail of not more than officers and men will camp at Orient Point, L. I., in company with the Naval Militia of the States of Rhode Island and Connecticut. The detail for June 27, will report on board the New Hampshire at 8 A. M., and will remain on board until the necessary tents and fit for camp and proceed with four cutters in the afternoon to Sands Point, L. I., and there establish a camp. Details for camp at Sands Point, L. I., on June 27, will report at camp not later than 8 A. M., on Saturdays, and may leave at sunset on Sundays. Camp routine shall be observed while the details are in camp. The following days assigned to each division, when the officers thereof are responsible for the camp and discipline thereof: Division, June 27 to 28, July 4 and 5; 2d Division, 25 to 26; Aug. 1 and 2; 3d Division, Aug. 8 and 9, 15 and 16; 4th Division, Aug. 22 and 23, Aug. 29 and 30. A section of the coast shall be assigned to each division for development and reconnaissance work.

In the New Jersey Naval Militia, the following officers have been prescribed: Chief petty officer each battalion staff: One Chief Boatwain's Mate, Chief Gunner's Mate, one Chief Quartermaster, Chief Machinist, one Apothecary. Petty officers of line division: One Boatwain's Mate, first class; Boatwain's Mate, second class; one Quartermaster, first class; one Quartermaster, second class; one Gunner's Mate, second class; four Coxswains, third class; Petty officers of each Engineer Division: One Chief, first class; three Water Tenders, first class; Machinists, second class.

The first cruise and tour of duty of Company Naval Reserve Artillery, Georgia Volunteers of S.

27, 1896.

Lieut. H. S. Colding, commanding, has just ended the company average attendance daily was forty-six, four officers. Their tour of duty lasted four days, of which were spent aboard the U. S. S. Amphitrite, where the men received instruction in gunnery, at both main and secondary batteries, small boat exercises, signaling, and fire drill. They were given a short time target practice with the secondary battery. Shooting was very good, in fact, excellent, considering the men had never before handled a larger gun than 45 caliber. Colding has his men under very good discipline, and the men and officers are very enthusiastic and earn in their duties, and bid fair to become one of the best organizations in the country. The Amphitrite proceeded June 21 for Southport, N. C., her pilot being Seaman J. Thompson, of the Naval Reserve Company, who was one of Savannah's best-known pilots.

COMING EVENTS.

June 23 to July 23.—Camp of Minnesota National Guard near Lake City.
June 27.—Parade of 9th N. Y. to new armory.
June 27 to Aug. 15.—Camp of New York Guard at Peekskill by regiments and battalions.
July 3 to 12.—Camp of Illinois N. G. at Springfield.
July 4.—Visit of 2d Bat. N. Y. to Schenectady, N. Y.
July 6 to Aug. 2.—Camp of Wisconsin N. G. at Millery Reservation, Juneau County, by regiment.
July 10.—Excursion of Co. E, 13th N. Y. to State Camp at Peekskill.
July 11 to 18.—Tour of duty of Pennsylvania Naval Militia.
July 11 to Aug. 1.—Camp of Illinois N. G. by regiments.
July 11 to 15.—Camp of 1st Naval Battn., N. Y., at Point, L. I.
July 13 to 18.—Annual cruise of Massachusetts Naval Brigade in Boston Harbor.
July 14 to 18.—Camp of 1st Corps of Cadets Massachusetts Militia at Hingham.
July 18 to 25.—Camp of New Jersey N. G. at Sea Girt.
July 18 to 25.—Division Camp, Penn. N. G., at Lewisburg.
July 18 to 25.—Camp of Maryland N. G., near Frederick.
July 20 to 27.—Camp of Missouri N. G. at Warrensburg.
July 20 to 25.—Camp of 1st Brigade Ohio at Cleveland.
July 21 to 25.—Camp of 2d Brigade Massachusetts Militia at South Framingham.
July 25 to Aug. 1.—Camp of 2d Regt. of Iowa at Ottumwa.
July 28 to Aug. 2.—Camp of 2d Brigade Ohio at Cleveland.
Aug. 1 to 10.—Camp of Mississippi National Guard at Jackson.
Aug. 4.—Camp of West Virginia N. G. at Huntington.
Aug. 5 to 10.—Camp of 3d Brigade Ohio at Cleveland.
Aug. 9 to 16.—Camp of 4th Regt., Missouri N. G.
Aug. 11 to 15.—Camp of 2d Corps of Cadets Massachusetts Militia at Essex.
Aug. 13 to 18.—Camp of 4th Brigade Ohio at Cleveland.
Aug. 15 to 22.—Camp of 1st Regt. of Iowa at Independence.
Aug. 16 to 23.—Camp of 2d Regt. and Batt. A, Missouri N. G. at Lamar.
Aug. 17 to 22.—Camp of Connecticut N. G. at Niantic.
Aug. 17 to 22.—Camp of Vermont National Guard near Arlington.
Aug. 18 to 24.—Camp of Michigan N. G. at Island Lake.
Aug. 21 to 28.—Camp of Art. Brigade Ohio at Cleveland.
Aug. 22 to 29.—Camp of 3d Regt. of Iowa at Red Oak.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

E.—Lieut. Gen. Schofield's address is, care Col. Thos. Vincent, A. G. O., Washington, D. C.
J. M. B. asks: (1) Stacking arms with the Springfield (cal. 45), bayonets fixed. To stack with the bayonets do you have to give the command with bayonets fixed arms? (2) At inspection of a separate company in its armory by the Inspector General, when he approaches should the company be at attention, ranks fixed? (3) Should the company be at attention at open ranks? (4) Should the Captain present sword? (5) Should the company be at fixed bayonets? (6) Should they fix bayonets at the command inspection arms? (7) Should the Captain salute before opening ranks? (8) At the command front take distance do the guides stand? (9) Do they go through the exercise? Answer.—(1) No. (2) Yes. (3) He should open ranks when the Inspector is ready to proceed with the inspection. (4) No. (5) No. (6) Yes. It is part of the execution of the order "Inspection arms." (7) If he is spoken to by

the inspecting officer and directed to open ranks he should salute, otherwise not. (8 and 9) Guides are not required in this exercise and they therefore perform such duty as the instructor directs. No place is prescribed for them.

O. L.—The term of enlistment in the Revenue Cutter Service is not one year, but three years, and for general service, without reference to particular vessel or station. Preference is given to native born or naturalized citizens of the United States. No person under the age of 14 nor over the age of 40 shall be enlisted without the special permission of the Treasury Department.

OLD SAILOR asks if Cuba has a Navy and who commands it, and what would be the best way for a man to join it. If they have not one where he could join one of their filibuster vessels? Answer.—The Cubans have no Navy. To get on a filibuster you would have to see some of the Cuban agents and prove that you were loyal to their cause. They have headquarters in New York and other large cities and have frequently advertised for recruits in the "Army and Navy Journal" and other papers.

W. S. asks: How many enlisted men successfully passed the preliminary examination for a commission this year? Answer.—Twenty-four out of thirty-three. Their names have duly appeared in the "Army and Navy Journal."

CANDIDATE.—The vacancy caused by the resignation of Naval Cadet J. A. Day has been filled.

O. N. R.—We can but refer you to the books used by the 1st Naval Battn. of New York City. They are: Luce's Seamanship, Gunnery Drill Book, Instructions for Infantry and Artillery, U. S. N.; Stayton's Naval Militiaman's Handbook, Ordnance Manual U. S. Navy, Radford's Handbook for Naval Gunners, U. S. Navy Regulations, Bowditch's Navigator, Coffin's Navigator. Write to Messrs. Wylie & Sons, West Tenth street, or D. Van Nostrand Co., New York City.

READER.—See answer to INQUIRER in "Journal" of June 20, page 761, where full particulars regarding the schoolship St. Mary's appeared.

H. S. K. asks: Is the garrison or post flag to be saluted, by uncovering, when passing the same? Answer.—No.

ESSAYON.—If you have passed Civil Service Board and received appointment you should at once make application through proper military channels for your discharge stating all necessary facts. In case of failure to obtain appointment there would be no necessity to apply for discharge, but it would be best to remain in service until an appointment turns up, then apply.

OLD READER ON FURLOUGH.—The fact that you have lost some of your discharges and only "service certificates" will have no effect on your retirement. That is a question of actual service easily verified at the War Department, which is done in any event, without reference to the discharges.

R. H.—If you will call on Col. M. V. Sheridan, Adjt. Gen., H. Q., Dept. of Dak., St. Paul (where you reside), doubtless you will on request be furnished with the information you desire as to the Pine Ridge Campaign of 1890, from the official reports.

D. E.—Vacancies in the Signal Corps are usually filled by transfer of non-commissioned officers of the line after an examination by an officer of the Army. Write to the Chief Signal Officer of the Army, Washington, D. C., for copy of circular of May 1, 1896, which will give you full and latest particulars.

S. H. C.—The civil record of enlisted candidates for commissions, that is, their antecedents before they entered the Army, is very closely inquired into by the Boards of Examination and is an essential factor, together with moral character.

S.—The subpost of Artillery at Fort Riley is under the regulations "complete within itself for purposes of administration and instruction," and is commanded by Maj. Wallace F. Randolph, 3d Art., but of course it is subject to the general command of the Commanding Officer of Fort Riley and the Commandant of the Cavalry and Light Artillery School—one and the same person. See G. O. 6, A. G. O., Feb. 28, 1896.

The following order, issued nearly forty years ago at Fort Leavenworth, may be read with interest now that the summer heat is with us: S. O., No. 81, Headquarters, Fort Leavenworth, July 25, 1857.—The icehouse will be opened for half an hour from reveille (commencing to-morrow), and not afterward, without special permission from the commanding officer. The allowance of ice per diem will be as follows: Ten pounds to each officer, thirty pounds to each company, ten pounds to Mr. Rich, sutler; ten pounds to sutler store, ten pounds to Rev. Mr. Kerr, Chaplain; ten pounds to Post Quartermaster's office, ten pounds to Adjutant's office, twenty

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Lieut. Mizner is now Colonel of the 10th U. S. Cavalry.

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Fill high the bowl with sparkling wine;
And wake the maddest measure.
Like gods we'll lead a life divine,
And live for naught but pleasure.
Fill high the bowl;
Let music roll
Upon the air of eve.
Let echoes fair
Glide on the air,
For man's not made to grieve.

Let those who wish march on to fame;
We care not for the battle;
Nor long we'er for wealth or name,
But let war's thunder rattle.
The hero falls;
And bleeding calls,
While cannons roaring loud,
What care have we
For such as he,
So wind him in his shroud?

Let others kingdoms rule on high;
We seek not for their power,
But on and on let pleasure fly,
And fill the mad'n'd hour.
Let others sway
Mid dark dismay,
And see their empires fall;
But we are free
From misery
Within our festive hall.

We little care for learn'd scroll;
Let others seek that learning.
O, give us but the brimming bowl,
That is with deep fire burning;
And give the maid
Ere beauties fade
From lips and cheeks so fair.
The maiden true,
With eyes of blue,
For her this life we bear.

Fill high the bowl with sparkling wine;
And raise a strain of madness.
What care have we for gods divine?
We'll banish now all sadness.
The maid and wine
Are things divine
And music high is rolling.
Then let it roll;
And fill the bowl,
While sorrow's knell is tolling.

An old soldier who served in the Confederate Army with the rank of private and who was proud of it was introduced as "Major," much to his disgust. Before he found an opportunity to disclaim the title the gentleman to whom he was introduced said:

"You served in the Confederate Army, Major?"
"I did."
"I was in the Confederate Army myself, sir," returned the Southerner, "and I'm pretty well up in the Army list. What branch of the service were you attached to?"
"The artillery."
"Under what General, sir, may I ask?"
"Under Gen. Gordon."
"Major," he said, "I'm pretty familiar with the names of all the leading artillery officers in the Confederate service during the war. May I ask you, sir, how many guns were under your command?"
Bringing up and looking his catchword full in the eye the tortured private answered: "Guns be d—d, sir! I served through the entire war, sir, in command of one gun, and that I carried over my shoulder!"

Lieut. Varrentrap, of the German Navy, in an article on Napoleon's intended concentration of the French fleets in the British Channel in 1803-5, concludes with this: "The whole history of naval warfare is one lesson; that it is men and not ships that decide the issue, and that, given a superiority in seamen and officers on one side, that side is sure to win." This view is indorsed by very many of the most progressive naval men of today, that it is not a question merely of numerical superiority, but also of individual superiority.



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Col. Smith, of the 69th N. Y., has requested the dishonorable discharge of his Field Musicians for failure to turn out for duty when ordered. The men had an alleged grievance dating from the camp of 1895, where they received the pay of \$1.25 per day from the State. The musicians wanted the regiment to pay them an additional \$1.75 per day, which Col. Smith would not agree to. The musicians, without any warning, a few days since, were absent when the regiment was ordered to Creedmoor, and further, hid the drum sticks so that the volunteer who came forward to play a drum had to improvise a broom handle for drum sticks. It is regretted that the evident conspiracy which existed among the musicians cannot be proved, as Col. Smith would then very properly deal with them in a much severer manner. The 69th may not be able to enlist musicians in time for camp, but it will not be without men who can sound the prescribed calls. Col. Smith, in his decision to fight the demands of the musicians, will have the sympathy of nearly every officer in the National Guard.

Cos. F and I, of the 71st N. Y., will spend July 4 and 5 at Van Cortlandt Park.

At a meeting of the Louisiana Field Artillery, in New Orleans, this week, a committee was appointed to send a congratulatory telegram to John P. Sullivan, a former Lieutenant of the company, now a cadet at West Point. The following telegram was sent:

"Cadet John P. Sullivan, U. S. Military Academy, West Point:

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ENGLISH—JACKSON.—At Schenectady, N. Y., June 17, 1896, Mr. Harry J. English to Miss Katharine Jackson, daughter of Capt. Allan H. Jackson, 7th U. S. Inf.

GREENE—CHANDLER.—At Batavia, N. Y., June 25, 1896, S. Dana Greene, formerly of the U. S. Navy, to Miss Cornelia Chandler, daughter of the late Rear Admiral Ralph Chandler, U. S. N.

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MOODY-ANDREWS.—At Saco, Me., June 17, Asst. Engr. Roscoe C. Moody to Miss Minnie Andrews.

OFFLEY-PARKER.—At Cheyenne, Wyo., June 10, 1896, Lieut. Robert S. Offley, 10th U. S. Inf., to Miss Alice A. Parker.

SNOW-RICE.—At Rockland, Me., June 16, Ensign Carlton F. Snow, U. S. N., to Miss Anne Frances Rice.

STEVENS-AMES.—At Lowell, Mass., June 17, 1896, Mr. Chas. Brooks Stevens to Miss Edith Ames, daughter of Gen. Adelbert Ames, formerly of the U. S. Army, and granddaughter of the late Gen. Benjamin F. Butler.

WHITMAN-EDGERTON.—At the First Congregational Church, Akron, Ohio, June 24, 1896, Lieut. Walter Monteith Whitman, 1st U. S. Cav., to Miss Nina Edgerton, daughter of Mr. Sidney Edgerton.

DIED.

BRISTOW.—At New York City, June 22, 1896, Gen. Benjamin H. Bristow, Col. 8th Kentucky Cav. during the war and Secretary of the Treasury during a portion of Gen. Grant's administration.

BOWEN.—At Columbia, Tenn., June 6, 1896, aged seventy-one, Achilles Bowen, formerly Brevet Lieutenant of Artillery.

FREEMAN.—At New York City, June 3, 1896, C. C. Freeman, Sailmaker U. S. N.

JOYCE.—At Washington, D. C., June 16, 1896, Ord. Sgt. Robert F. Joyce, U. S. A., retired.

JOHNSTON.—At Ferguson, June 18, Lucille Margar-

etta Johnston, infant daughter of Lieut. W. H. Johnston, U. S. A., and Lucille Wilkinson Johnston, aged seven months.

Funeral Friday, June 19, at 5 P. M. Private. Interment at Cincinnati.

PECK.—At New Haven, Conn., June 16, 1896, Grace Boutecon, widow of Capt. Elisha Peck, U. S. N.

SAYRE.—At Monticello, Mo., June 14, 1896, Mrs. Sayre, wife of Hon. E. K. Sayre, and mother of Lieut. Farrand Sayre, 8th U. S. Cav., and of P. A. Surg. J. S. Sayre, U. S. N.

SMITH.—At New York City, June 24, 1896, Gen. Gustavus Woodson Smith, formerly 1st Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, and Brevet Captain, U. S. A.

STRICKLAND.—At Philadelphia, Pa., June 17, 1896, P. A. Engr. George D. Strickland, U. S. N., retired.

WYNKOOP.—At New York City, June 17, 1896, Mrs. Ann Eliza Wynkoop, wife of Dr. G. H. Wynkoop, and daughter of the late Gen. Daniel Phineas Woodbury, U. S. A.

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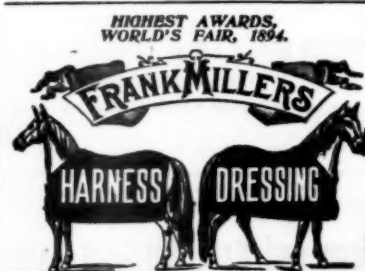
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